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They are not long . . .

the days of wine and roses.

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Out of a misty dream

our path emerges for a while

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BARTM

then closes within a dream.

EAST LONGMEADOW HIGH SCHOOL
180 MAPLE STREET
EAST LONGMEADOW,
MASSACHUSETTS
ENROLLMENT 811
VOLUME XXXV

If you are a dreamer, come in.
If you are a dreamer, a wisher,
a liar, a hoper, a prayer,
a magic bean buyer,
If you are a pretender
Come sit by my fire.
For we have some flax golden tales to spin.
Come in, come in.
(Shel Silverstein)

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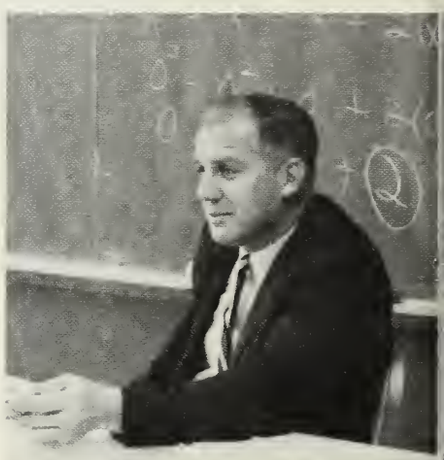
Advanced Math, Algebra II, Calculus, and an array of computers live on the senior hallway with their exponents - the teachers of the Math Department.

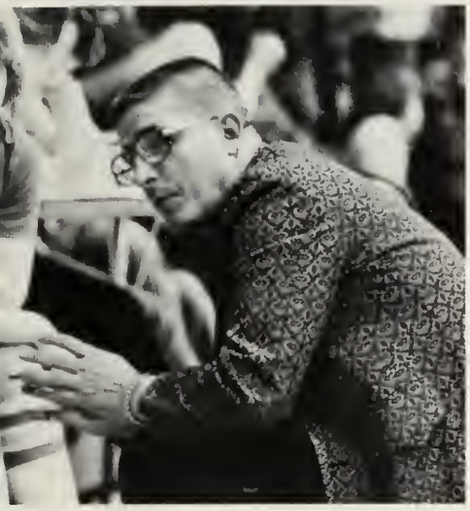
Prime among their number is Mr. Frank Dutille, who has been here at ELHS since opening day in 1960. In the past thirty-six years he has served as senior class advisor, chaperone, track coach - suffice to say that he has worn many different hats during his tenure at the school. The demands of the teaching profession, coupled with the responsibilities of bringing up two sons and a daughter (ELHS graduates, all), caused Mr. Dutille to lay aside most of those hats long ago, yet he has risen to Olympic - class as a track official, and will work the Atlanta Games this summer.

Mr. Dutille has spent an entire generation teaching math to the students of East Longmeadow High School: teaching us to add up what we have, subtract what we do not, multiply by our expectations, and divide by our disappointments. And somehow, thanks in large part to Mr. Dutille, we have always achieved positive results.



DEDICATION

Your old men shall DREAM dreams,



robert camp,
guidance counselor

What goes around, comes around, wise men say at sunset. They know already that if you stay long enough in one place, you'll begin to see life repeat itself.

For Mr. Robert Camp, our guide and friend, staying at East Longmeadow High School since its earliest days has meant that the unique pattern of our school life has been imprinted on him. The rhythm of our lives is his life. Ask him when the New Year begins and he won't say January 1st, he'll tell you in all sincerity that the year begins with the opening of school in September, that autumn is as much a time for SAT's as it is for falling leaves, and that, while spring may be a period of natural rebirth, it can't happen without Spartanum, the Banquet, Prom, or Graduation. He has witnessed it all, been a part of it all, is it any wonder that it's now a part of him?

As the Class of '96 graduates this June, we are proud to count among our number Mr. Camp. He counselled many of our parents; he counselled us wisely, and well. Most importantly, he helped ensure that the life we see being repeated years from now will be a good one.

DEDICATION

Dr. Waring
Superintendent

Mr. Hamel
Dir. Admn. Serv.

Mr. Freccero
Principal

Mr. Mazzariello
Vice-Principal

Ms. Fitzgerald
Secretary

Ms. Hellyer
Secretary

Ms. Viens
Supt. Secretary

Ms. Kagan
Supt. Secretary

Mr. Camp
Guidance

Ms. Avery
Guidance

Ms. McCormick
Guidance

Ms. Celetti
Secretary

Mr. Anastasovites
Head Custodian

Ms. Huhtanen
Dietary Services

Mr. Bolles
Physical Education

Ms. Lussier
Physical Education

Ms. Meader
Physical Education

Mr. Modzelewski
Physical Education

Ms. Angelica
Business

Mr. Cooley
Business

Ms. Herschuk
Business

Ms. Herschuk enjoys a candlelit evening in the library.

Did somebody say Nirvana?

Top o' the morning to ya', Ms. Burke!

Lonely is the head that wears the crown.

Say it ain't so Jo! Ms. Renear helps Paul Longo through the hazards of Bio.

FACULTY

A ring and a prayer - Ms. Angelica presides over the Jr. Semi-Formal.

What happens to a DREAM deferred?

Mr. Agin
Graphic Arts

Ms. Eppolito
Home Economics

Mr. Goldie
Art

Mr. Stanley
Music

Mr. Turner
Music

Mr. Bail
English

Mr. Calabrese
English

Ms. Cooke
English

Mr. Kerson
English

Ms. Leib
English

Mr. McKinney
English

Mr. Morrissey
English

Ms. Renard
English

Mr. Dowling
Foreign Language

Ms. Epaul
Foreign Language

Ms. Fay
Foreign Language

Ms. Fleming
Foreign Language

Ms. Ferreira
Foreign Language

Ms. Mele
Foreign Language

Ms. Sullivan
Foreign Language

Ms. Thompson
Foreign Language

Don't worry, your Lancer lacrosse fans will stand behind you, win or tie.

Due to modern technology, it is now possible to talk directly to Tutankamen.

Mr. Brownlee sports a phat Spartan outfit.

Free at last, free at last! The World's Oldest Senior is finally graduating.

Quid agis Barrett?

FACULTY

Shall I compare thee to a ninth grade English class?

Of all peoples, the Greeks have DREAMED the DREAM of life best.

Ms. Czajkowski
Health

Ms. Nordin
Health

Ms. Stankiewicz
Health

Ms. Burke
Library

Ms. Kokaszka
Library

Ms. Montana
Library

Ms. Bianchine
Mathematics

Mr. Brownlee
Mathematics

Mr. Courtney
Mathematics

Mr. Dutille
Mathematics

Mr. Gonsalves
Mathematics

Ms. McTaggart
Mathematics

Mr. Porowski
Mathematics

Ms. Sudnick
Mathematics

Mr. Carrey
Science

Mrs. Conlin
Science

Ms. Daly
Science

Mr. Fimognari
Science

Ms. Goldie
Science

The name is Bond, James Bond.

See, gym teachers really do own something besides Umbro.

Now, Now, Mr. Mazz, we know he has more hair than you, but . . . .

Hola! Tengo hambre. Head for the border!

Blondes do have more fun!

FACULTY

A cookie a day keeps the school nurse away.

Hope is a waking DREAM.

Ms. LaValley
Science

Ms. Renear
Science

Mr. Sullivan
Science

Ms. Burke
Social Studies

Mr. Maller
Social Studies

Mr. Sarazin
Social Studies

Mr. Pitts
Social Studies

Ms. Rueger
Social Studies

Ms. Callahan
Sp. Ed. Aide

Ms. Celetti
Computer

Ms. Cleavall
Sp. Ed. Aide

Ms. Chapman
Sp. Ed. Aide

Ms. Davis
Sp. Ed. Aide

Ms. Bachiocchi
Sp. Ed. Aide

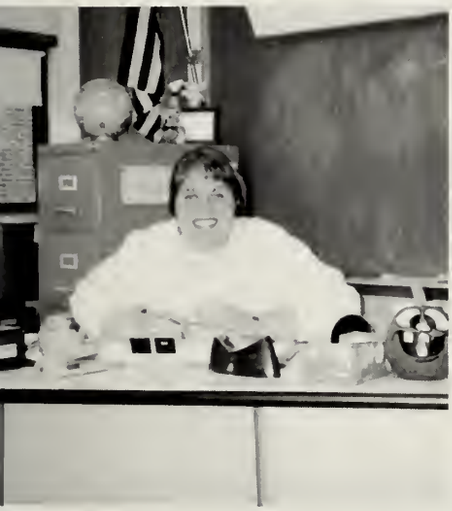
Mr. Jackson
Psychologist

Ms. Picard
Special Ed.

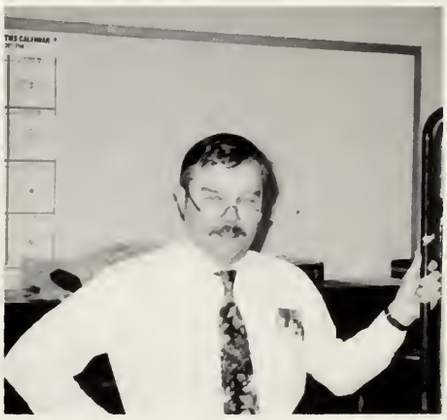
Ms. Pieciul
Reading Specialist

Ms. Ulich
Sp. Ed. Aide

Ms. Welch
Sp. Ed. Aide


nd now for the first time anywhere, Mr. and Mrs. O'
ntern?

The zapping got out of control at the Jr. Semi - Formal.


I was a little teapot.

To everything, Turn, Turn, Turn, . . . er . . . er . . . er"

Hurray for another round of chemical Bingo for valuable prizes!

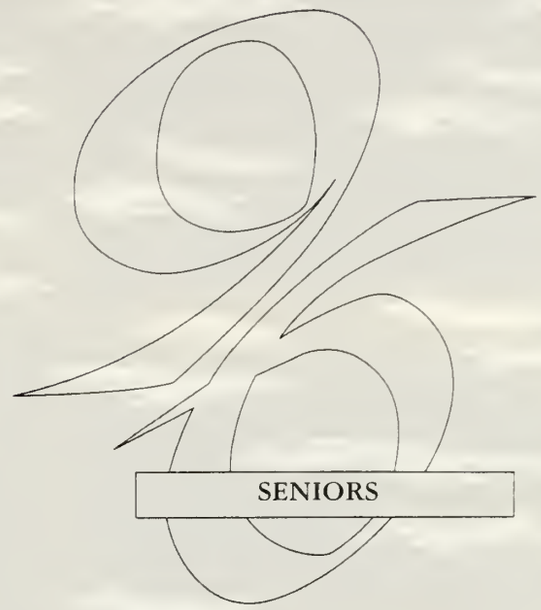
I still am a little teapot!

FACULTY

Dare to light the candle of long ago DREAMS.

Each Age Is A Dream That Is Dying,

Or One That Is Coming To Birth.



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Life's a picnic when you're a Senior Class Advisor! Just ask Mr. Cooley or Ms. Thompson (when they're not busy planning the Ziti Dinner, Semi-Formal, Banquet, Prom, etc.).

Nicole Abair

Softball 1; Project Lifework 3; Spanish Club 3; Key Club 1.

Congratulations to the Class of 1996. I wish everyone the best of luck, happiness and success in the future. To Brenda, I will never forget you. You were the first person to show me how to curl my bangs in fifth grade. John C. Otto was an unforgettable experience; it was complete HELL! Rollerskating was grand, the ski trip to Brodie was hysterical, and last, but not least, the vacation to Rhode Island with Joyce followed by the vacation to Maine with my mother! You are a great friend, I hope that you become rich and famous. Tim, what would I have done without you? You are my sunshine on a cloudy day and my best friend. I love you. Mom, we disagree about everything but you know you mean the world to me. I love you with all my heart.

Carrie Alcorn

Office Aide 1, 2, 3, 4; Soccer 1, (manager 2, 3, 4); Science League 1, 2, 3, 4; Band 1, 2, 3, 4; French Club 2, 3, 4; International Club 1; Environmental Club 1, 2, 3, 4; Honor Society 3, 4; Future Teachers 3; Newspaper 2; Zitti Dinner 4; Homeroom Rep 4; School Council 4; C.O.P.E. Classic 4

Jason - Bruce, Chase will always love you. Jay - Oh my! You're .... Korinne - Moss! Jeff - What can I say but I love you, Jumeau? Cheri - Bud, my best friend, I miss you like crazy. Robyn - Cutie, you want I should kill him? Twyeef - Les Miserables and the Phantom. Al - Bravehearts and Bagpipes. Michelle - Damn Leakage! Kris - Thanks to my biggest fan. Jen - Mason and Matlock. Lynn - we're lazy and we eat too much. Scherp - 5?! Thanks guys! To the Class of 1996: Ideals are like the stars. You will not succeed in touching them with your hands; but, like the seafaring man, you choose them as your guides, and following them, you will reach your destiny. - Charles Schultz

Jeffery T. Alcorn

Swimming 1, 2, 3, 4; Cross Country 4; Track 4; Science League 1, 2, 3, 4; International Club 1; French Club 2, 3, 4; Drama 4; Environmental Action Club 1, 2, 3, 4; Chess Club 1, 2; National Honor Society 3, 4; Boy's State 3; Soccer 1, 3.

First, to my close friends: Jay - value our friendship, remember our antics, and never, ever loose touch. Al - "In the year of our Lord, 1314 ...." All Mel broke loose? Bravehearts and bagpipes. Dave - when was the first christening you went to?! Had to be said. 'Bruce' - you know who you are .... Put on those glasses! Friends ... Forever. Scherpa - ... a '5'?! Robyn - He really isn't. To the most special ... Carrie - you inspired me with the competition ... you won, too ... I can't thank you enough for pushing me to succeed. Cheri - simply beyond words! CBH - Always in my soul. For everyone and the entire Class of '96, I'll meet you at the top.

A DREAM is a wish your heart makes when you're fast asleep.

Zakiyyah Al'Uqdah Amiss

Key Club 1, 2, 3, 4; Yearbook 2, 3, 4; Spartanum 3, 4; Class Officer (Treasurer) 1, 2, 3, 4; Mock Trial 3, 4; Basketball 1, 2; Track 2; C.O.P.E. Classic 3, 4; Powder Puff 2, 4; AIDS Training 3, 4; Ziti Dinner 4; Spanish Club 4; Office Aide 2; Project Lifework 3, 4.

When possible, make the decisions now, even if the action is in the future. A reviewed decision usually is better than one reached at the last moment. - William B. Given, Jr. Errin, we came, we saw, we conquered together. All the years we spent together, thanks for being a friend (my best friend). Even when we head our own ways, we will still keep in touch, no matter where we go. Lisa, we are the best of friends. Good luck in the future and keep your head up, I'll never forget you. Kiesha although we have are our moments, we will always be good friends. You and Julia will always be in my thoughts. Johari and Sophia, our friendship will go far, good luck in the future. Metco crew, present and future, stay positive. The time flies! Thanks to my mom who always helped me through the tough times. We finally did it Class of 96' - Good luck!

Julie Andersen

Ziti Dinner 4; Spartanum 4.

The leaves are fallen all around
Time I was on my way
Thanks to you I'm much obliged
Such a pleasant stay
But now it's time for me to go
The autumn lights my way
- Led Zeppelin

Sara Elizabeth Anderson

Yearbook 2, 3, 4; Hockey (manager) 2, 3, 4; Softball 1; Pancake Breakfast 2, 4; Powder Puff 2, 4; Office Aide 2; Project Lifework 4; Spartanum 3, 4; Ziti Dinner 4.

"Leave, but don't leave me, Look around and choose your ground, For long you live and high you fly, And smiles you'll give and tears you'll cry, And all you touch and all you see, Is all your life will ever be . . ."- Pink Floyd

How many times have we heard the words "Your high school years will fly by"? It's unbelievable, but so true. Laura: You've been a great best friend, thanks for everything. Remember Kyle's and bartender Rob! Hugged a toilet lately? Sarah: Thanks for always being there. Do you hear those cows? Megan, Manda, and Steph: We've had some great times. From hockey, to Marilyn Monroe, to crazy driving - we've done it all. Ash: Thanks for listening - I'll never forget all our laughs. Sam: We have so many memories. Good luck senior year. It's been a great four years, now it's all over, but really we've only just begun. Good luck Class of '96!

Stanford Anderson

Literary Magazine 3, 4; Office Aide 3, 4; Basketball 2, 3; Volleyball 4

It's been lots of fun. Hope you all have a great time in college. Good luck.

Karla Andrea Arambula

Spanish Club 4, Ziti Dinner 4, Cheerleading 4, Spartanum 4.

Now I can tell you that this year was the most wonderful year of my life. I know that I will never forget you and all the things we've done together. The Senior Picnic was so much fun for me because there I became closer to everyone. The Ziti Dinner was a new experience for me, and I'll always remember the way everyone was so responsible - WHATEVER!! Some people even have improved their knowledge of Spanish. When the year ends, I'll return home and I'll feel something missing in my life, but I hope I'll see you again in the near future. To the Class of '96: Buena suerte en todas las cosas que hagas en el futuro!

Andrew Thomas Balog

Soccer 1, 2, 3, 4; Basketball 1; Hockey 3, 4; Golf 1, 2, 3, 4 (captain); Key Club 2, 3; Spanish Club 3; Powder Puff 2, 4; Ziti Dinner 4.

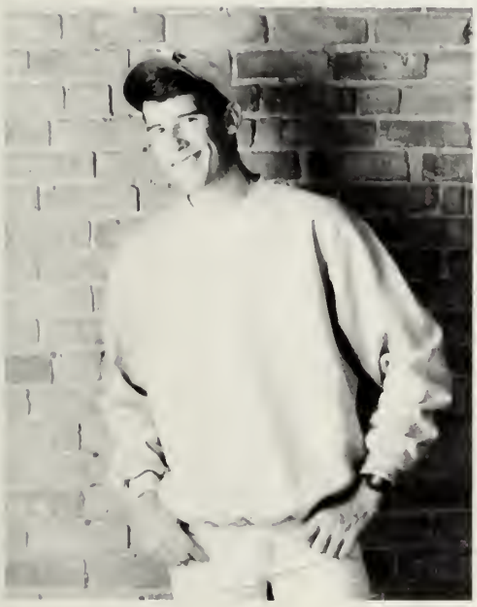
Good luck to the Class of '96.

Vain hopes are often like the DREAMS of those who wait.

Julianne Bareiss

Field hockey 1, 2, 3, 4; Key Club 2, 3, 4, International Club 1; French Club 2, 3; Yearbook 4; Ziti Dinner 4; Office Aide 2, 4; Project Lifework 4; Spartanum 4; Powder Puff 2, 4; National Honor Society 4.

The past four years have been unforgettable, but soon it will be time to say goodbye. Lauren and Sarah: We've shared a perfect friendship and hopefully that will last forever. Never forget the PVTA, "Tommy", sleepovers, and most of all, the night of my birthday. To all my other friends: you've made my high school memories great ones. I'll never forget any of you. Stay close, Mom, Dad, Emily, and Michael: Thank you for all of your love and support. I love you. To the Class of '96 and the Field Hockey team: Good luck in the future! I'll miss all of you.



Jay Baurle

Cross Country 2, 3; Ziti Dinner 4; Office Aide 3.

Well, I'm finally finished. Each year goes by even faster than the last. Good luck to the Class of '96 and thanks Mom, Dad, and Mrs. Gillon.

Randall Benoit

Football 1, 2, 3, 4; Wrestling 3; Tennis 2; Baseball 1; Spanish Club 2; Literary Magazine 2, 4.

As I look back on my past four years of high school, I realize that I never found out, until my junior year, who I was and who my friends were. I'll never forget all those weekends we spent driving around looking for something to do and never doing it. To all the "Shagginites," - Chris, Chuck, Eric, Gibson, E.C., Nikki, Chrissy, Jay, and Mark: have a great time in college and I hope you're all successful in the next few years. And to Chris, I hope we never lose touch, because you're not only my best friend, you're a brother to me. Good Luck to the Class of '96.

Amanda Hope Berard

Yearbook 2, 3, 4; Hockey Manager 3, 4; Powder Puff 2, 4; Spanish Club 1, 2; Key Club 1, 2, 3, 4; Environmental Club 1; Spartanum 4; Zitti Dinner 4; C.O.P.E. Classic 2, 3, 4; International Club 1; Homeroom Rep. 4.

"... Ahead of their time, They wonder why, In the shadow of the golden age, A generation waits for dawn, Brave carry on, Bold and the strong, Only the young can say, They're free to fly away, Sharing the same desires ... And all the lies they dare to tell, Is it heaven or hell? ..." - Journey Our long memorable ride has come to a complete stop and we can finally get off. But do we want to let go yet? The past four years seem like one big blur filled with memories and stories. To the 7 dwarfs - We have the best times always! But no more jokes about me being the youngest. Sara - Thanx for dragging me to O.C.B., we're the best Mgrs. ever! Steph - Think we can see Frye's Leap from the top of Pier 66? A bomb scare! Keep eatin' french fries and Frosty's, drive straight and watch the trucks! H.O.R.D.E. rocks huh?! You've always been there for me and we'll be best friends wherever we end up! Thanks! Chris - call me when you're 5'9"! Freddie - watch those pucks and good luck!

CONGRATS Class of '96. We did it!

Neysa Bolanos

From 1990 until 1993, I was a cheerleader for the Willie Ross Basketball team. Now I am a skill aide for the children. My favorite classes are math, English, and Work Study. In the future I want to spend my time helping children. I will miss my friends!!

Joe Borgatti

Good Luck to the Class of '96.

Climb every mountain, ford every stream, follow every rainbow, 'til you find your DREAM.

Chris Bousquet

Ski Team 3, 4; Junior National Association of the Deaf 1, 2, 3, 4; WRSD 1, 2, 3, 4

Dear Seniors,

This is our last year. I hope you all will have success in your careers. Well, it is time to go now, but I hope that you do well in the future. I want to thank all of my family. I would also like to thank my teachers, who I have worked with for the last three years, for helping me reach my goals. Thanks a lot!

Chuck Bullen

Wrestling 1; Football 2; Baseball 2.

Time has come to say goodbye! We all must leave each other now and move on to better things. ELHS was fun and I had a great time, but I am glad to get the heck out of here! Goodbye to Peter, Mamba, Cribs, Wax, and Perwanda. And good luck to lil' Jose, Holmes, and Shaw.

Elizabeth Burroughs

Soccer 3; Ski Team 3, 4; French Club 3, 4; Jazz Band 3, 4; Spartanum 3, 4.

I had an interesting time at this school. Most of the people here are rockin'. See you later little girls and boys, I love you (you know who you are, I hope). Where are you Heather? My tongue is stuck. NOHO. Hello punk rockers, don't leave me. Some people need diapers, but I won't mention any names. Hello to Wynona R. and everybody who can keep secrets (you know who you are). Sorry I'm so slow Kelly. Shawmut crew, I dig you. Word up "C". Bye everyone.

Chrissy Campbell

Newspaper 2, 3, 4 (Managing Editor); Key Club 2, 3, 4; Tennis 1, 2, 4; Ziti Dinner 4; Spanish Club.

Good Luck to the Class of '96!

Jen Campbell

Key Club 1, 4; Band 1, 2; Chorus 2, 3; Environmental Club 1, 2; Drama Club 2; Project Lifework 3, 4; Ziti Dinner 4; Lit Mag 3, 4.

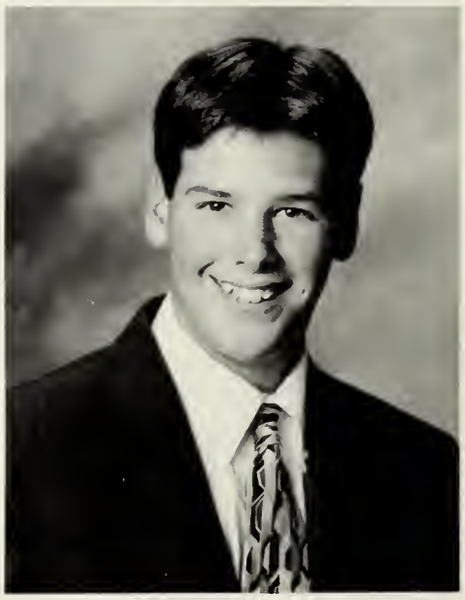
Life must be understood backwards. But . . . it must be lived forward. - Soren Kierkegaard

We never know how high we are
Till we are called to rise.
And then, if we are true to plan
Our statures touch the skies.
- Emily Dickinson

Eric W. Carabine

Baseball 1, 2, 3, 4 (Captain); Student Council 1, 4 (Secretary); Powder Puff Football 2, 4; Spartanum 4; Ziti Dinner 4; ELTC 4 (Co-Chairperson).

We did it! It's hard to believe that it's all over, and I'll miss these days. I'll also miss a lot of people. During the years I've made a lot of great friends and every one of you guys will be missed. To Pete Sampras: We've been friends since kindergarten and I'll never forget the tailgates, broken ankles, and the white whale. To the Mac-daddy: Who ever said you can't graduate without learning to read? Even though you have bad hair, you're still my best bud. To Nikki: Thank you. No matter what happens, you'll always have a friend in me. To my parents and sister: Thanks and I love you!



The seaweed is always greener in somebody else's lake . . .

Jason Caron

Soccer 1, 2, 3; Cross Country 4; Swimming 1, 2, 3, 4; Track 1, 2, 3, 4; Band 1, 2, 3, 4; International Club 1; French Club 2, 3; Science League 1, 2, 3, 4 (Captain); Environmental Action Club 2, 3, 4; Chess Club 1, 2; C.O.P.E. Classic 2, 4

It's been a long twelve years but we finally made it. It's all over. Jeff, it's been a blast, don't forget this, that, and the thing. Carrie, you've been a great friend and I know you are Robyn's special friend. Robyn, you know I'm not. Jay, good luck and Neil's mom. Tom, good luck and when are you going to teach me to ski? Dave, you've been a good friend and good luck in whatever you do. Al, good luck and maybe we'll do some work next year. To everyone else, oh my! Good luck! God Bless! See ya soon. P.S. I drove the Honking Honda.

Kate Cauley

Fly Away!

Kevin Cavanaugh

Soccer 1, 3; C.O.P.E. Classic 1, 2, 3, 4; Spartanum 4

Good luck to the Class of '96.

Jessica Clark

Key Club 4; Ziti Dinner 4; Powder Puff Foothall 4; COPE Classic
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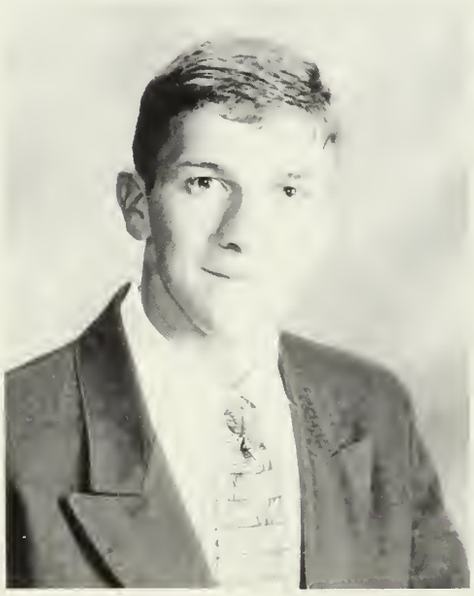
To my buddies: We have many memories together: Summer of '92 and '93 . . . my house with everyone . . . Kari driving the truck and Jen running after her . . . Lisa and I rounding up golf balls in the middle of the night . . . the ring that's in the pool . . . when I ran away to Steph's . . . the quarry with the guys . . . Steph and Joe in my basement . . . Kat and dominoes at Joe's . . . eating dinner at Jenny's and noodles out the noise . . . dancing to M.J. at Kari's . . . going to senior parties when we were freshmen - We thought we were so cool. I am so glad I got to spend my last year with my best friends. Thank you, Lisa, for being patient with me.

Johari Lynne Curtis

Soccer 1, 2, 3, 4 (Capt.); Track 1, 2, 3, 4 (capt.); Basketball 1; Powder Puff 2, 4; Ziti Dinner 4; Homeroom Rep 4; Key Club 2, 4; Drama Club 1; Yearbook 2, 3, 4 (editor); Spartanum 1, 3, 4; Spanish Club 2, 3, 4; Office Aide 1, 2, 3, 4.

"This bridge will only take you halfway there, to those mysterious lands you long to see; through gypsy camps and swirling Arab fairs and moonlit woods where unicorns run free. So come, and walk awhile with me and share the twisting trails and wondrous worlds I've known. But this bridge will only take you halfway there - the last few steps you'll have to take alone." - Shel Silverstein

To all my friends and the Class of '96, I wish you the best of luck in the future. To the soccer and track teams, I wish you great seasons next year. To Sophia, you've always been there for me, no matter what. I know we'll keep in touch always. To Nona, you put up with everything that I do and I love you for it. Don't ever change. To Steph, my other little sister, I'll always love you, stay your sweet self. Mom and Dad, thanks for everything.



Matt Derk

Band 1, 2; Baseball 1; Office Aide 1, 2; Literary Magazine 4; Ziti Dinner 4; Concert Choir 1, 2.

It's party time. JG, have fun with your 8th grade girlfriends.

Daniel B. Desilets

Wrestling 1; Skiing 3, 4; Class Officer (Vice President) 2, 3; HIV/AIDs Instructor 3, 4; Powder Puff 2, 4

To Hallopeter and the Boys (Ash and Amy included): I don't feel that I'll ever again have the opportunity to have such a true friendship with a funnier, more honest, more diverse group of guys. Hallopeter, I wish we met 18 years ago, not 4. I've never gotten along with someone as well as I've gotten along with you. Thanks!! In June of '96 we can all start achieving our dreams. "We All Have Them." - Dezi

Christopher A. Dimetres

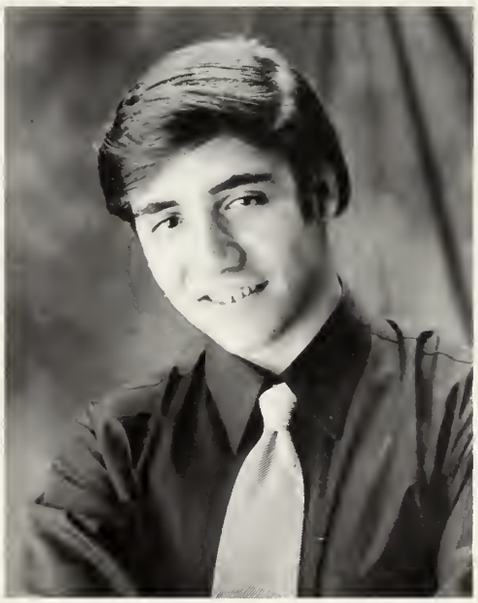
Football 1, 2, 3, 4; Wrestling 1, 2, 3, 4 (captain); Baseball 2, 3, 4; Words Not Weapons 3; COPE Classic 2, 3, 4.

Friends: You guys were great. I don't know what else to say, but good luck in the future! Thanks for being there for me and supporting me in everything I did. I love you. Congratulations to the class of '96, may you succeed in everything you do. The Wagon: may it live on!

Eric Dimetres

Drama 3, 4; Spartanum 4.

Well, we've finally made it. I don't know if I am sad or glad. I guess we've all grown to know each other, whether we've wanted to or not. Thanks Mom and Dad for being behind me most of the time. Chris, thanks for putting up with me. Randall, you and Dave are the greatest friends anyone could ask for. Jeremy, Alex, Kiley, Nicole, Barret, Dan, Mike, Zyta, Kelly, Amy, Joe, Tai, Chris, Tasha, Jay, Jason, Beth, I am going to miss you guys more than anything. Just remember we'll always have Shawmut. C'mon, it's a joke. "Do not turn back when you are just at the goal." - Pubillius Syrus



Jason P. Donovan

Tennis 2; Debate Club 2; Band 3, 4; Newspaper 3, 4 (Editorial Editor); Lit Mag 3 (Asst. Editor), 4 (Editor-In-Chief); Drama Club 3, 4; Project Lifework 3, 4

Dave: You'll always be more than a friend to me, more like a brother. Gibson: You dropped your pen! Try not to pull any "Algebra Classes." Robyn: You're a friend, a confidant, and a sidekick! Jay C. (Edward): Project Hades forever! Jeff A. (Dick): Not just friends . . . partners. Carrie (Chase): Bruce will always love you. Jeff B.: Remember our vow! Al: Let your sights soar, but keep your hair short. Laura and Amanda: You're two of the sweetest hearts I've ever met. To the Class of '96: If you're like me, you will follow your dreams. Dreams can be your ticket to the future, so don't let anyone take them away. "What is past is prologue" - Shakespeare

Siobhan Doucette

Newspaper 2, 3, 4 (Editor-In-Chief); Debate 2, 3, 4 (Captain); French Club 3, 4 (Vice-President); Student Council 1, 2, 3, 4; Key Club 1, 2, 3, 4; As Schools Match Wits 2, 3, 4; Field Hockey 2, 3; Softball 1; French Exchange 3; International Club 1; C.O.P.E. Classic 1, 2, 3, 4; Ziti Dinner 4.

"When I was younger, so much younger than today,
I never needed anybody's help in any way,
and now these days are gone
I'm not so self assured
now I find I've changed my mind
I've opened up the doors."
- Paul McCartney & John Lennon

Ryan S. Doyle

Football 1; Cross Country 2; Track 1, 2, 3, 4; C.O.P.E. Classic 4; Spartanum 4.

Ever since I came to East Longmeadow freshman year, I've made a lot of friends. Thanks for taking me in. Good luck to the Class of '96 in the future. Thanks Mom and Dad, for pushing me to do better in school. I hope it will pay off. Thanks again to all my friends and I'll c-ya when I c-ya.

I never ever touched a rainbow, I never held a DREAM in my hand.

David A. Drenthe

Soccer 1, Spanish Club 1, 2; C.O.P.E. Classic 1, 2, 3, 4; Powder Puff 2, 4; Ziti Dinner 4; Spartanum 4

Good luck to the Class of '96. I hope to see you all at graduation. To Mike, Niz, Dave, Pete, Dez, Goz, Craig, ZZ, and so on: Good luck in the future. Thanks for the memories and good time.

Sarah Lynn Ennaco

Band 1, 2, 3, 4; Environmental Club 1; Tennis 1, 2; Key Club 2, 3, 4; C.O.P.E. 3 (secretary), 4 (advisor); Project Life Work 4; Ziti Dinner 4; Spartanum 4

"TRUE friendship is like sound health, the value of it is seldom known until it is lost." - Lacon Colton

Jen and Kristin: I'm going to win them all!!! Lauren: Julie's driveway, lobster bibs, Greg and Barry. Need I say more? Julie: "TOMMY", your 17th birthday party, "driving" around, "J", our daily trip to the movies. We had so much fun. To all of my friends: You're the greatest. Thanks for always being there. I'll never forget you. To the Class of '96: I wish you the best of luck. Mom, Dad, and Dave: Thank you for all of your support. I love you all.

Shaun D. Erickson

Football 2, 3, 4; Basketball 1, 2, 3, 4 (Captain); Golf 1, 2, 3, 4 (Captain); Key Club 1, 2, 3, 4; Spanish Club 2; C.O.P.E. Classic 3.

Yes, I was the tall one. You'll probably remember me as the one you had to look up at to speak to. Good luck to the Class of '96.

Jennifer Joanne Fellion

Chorus 1; Office Aid 1, 2, 3; Spartanum 4, Softball 4; C.O.P.E. 1; C.O.P.E. Classic 2, 4, Ziti Dinner 3, 4.

Many lessons were learned and friends made throughout my four years at E.L.H.S. I value the time I've spent learning, growing, making new friends, and bonding with teachers. More than anything, I will always have a special place in my heart for E.L.H.S., because this is the place I met Doug Burack. I spent three wonderful years in a loving relationship with Doug. His passing on September 20, 1995 affected me greatly. I will never forget him or stop loving him, and will always cherish the memories of our time together at E.L.H.S. Farewell. Good luck class of '96! See you at the reunion.

Jamie F. Ferrero

Softball 1, 2, 4; Swimming 2, 3, 4 (captain); Powder Puff 2; Ziti Dinner 4; C.O.P.E. Classic 1, 2, 3, 4; C.O.P.E. 1; Homecoming Rep. 4; Spartanum 4.

I want to thank all my friends for a great four years. You've all been there for me, in good times and bad. Alicia: You're the best. I love you, even though you're so forgetful. Stop coughing and crying in the night, but start driving on the right side and stopping at red lights. You're my dancing queen! . . . Mr. Store Manager. Chrissy: Smile, you're cute. We're all in a big bike race! Good luck to my little brother Bill, only two more years. You can do it! Thanks to my family for everything: Mom, Dad, Ed, Laura, Patty, Bill, Joe, and Dan. I love you all.

Kiesha Foggs

Band 1, 2, 3, 4; Jazz Band 1, 2, 3, 4; Basketball 1; Track 1, 2, 4; Newspaper 2, 3, 4; Debate 3, 4; French Club 3, 4 (President); Class Officer 1 (Vice President); Project Lifework 3; Words Not Weapons 3; Future Teachers 4; Ziti Dinner 4; Close-Up 4.

"Cash rules everything around me." -Cream. "Get the money, dollar, dollar bill y'all." -Wu Tang Clan. These four years of high school have flown by so fast. It's now time to move into adulthood and pursue our dreams. We will be the movers and shakers of any type of immorality that blocks the way of humanity and mankind. Errin: Your name will soon read: Errin Green, Ph.D., Surgeon General of the U.S. Thanks for being a friend. Asia: I'm Astronaut Calypso and I'm from Scotland. Thanks for being there, I'm glad that we've become such good friends. AK's hair Shack is on Saturn. Joelle: We'll always have Quebec and the plastic poo-poo!! Ericka: I'm glad we settled our petty differences. Martin says "Squash, Squashie." Good Luck and God Bless to the Class of '96. We're outta here!!

Forget that I remember and DREAM that I forget.

Jeffrey B. Ford

Football 1, 2, 3, 4; Baseball 1, 2, 3, 4; Basketball 1, 2, 3; Key Club 1, 3, 4; Spanish Club 2.

"Too often we are scared. Scared of what we might not be able to do. Scared of what people might think if we tried. We let our fears stand in the way of our hopes. Why? After all we do only go around once. There's really no time to be afraid. So stop. Try something you've never tried. Risk it, you have nothing to lose and everything to gain." -Barry Sanders. To Moe, Tom, Dan, Dave, and Karen-We could always play cards on a boring night. Thanks for being such good friends. Good luck next year. Heather-Thanks for everything. I love you. Mom, Dad, and Kevin-Thanks for all the love and support. Kevin, good luck in the next three years. Mom, keep up the good work. I'm proud of you. Thanks. I love you guys. Good luck to the Class of '96.

Courtney Nicole Fratar

Newspaper 2, 3, 4; Key Club 2, 3, 4; International Club 1; Spanish Club 2; Nat'l Honor Society 4; Field Hockey 1, 2, 3, 4; Tennis 1, 2, 3, 4; Powder Puff 4; Ziti Dinner 4.

To all my friends at ELHS, thanks for the memories and the fun years; I hope you have many more in the future. Julie: Thanks for being a true friend from our Mapleshade and dancing days until the present. I will never forget our friendship ... Jungle Love ... Cover Girl ... Vogue. Laura: I will never forget our late night trips to Edwards, our crazy trip to Live, serving at BC, and the noodles in my pool. I will always remember your friendship and individuality (pink hair). Thank you Mom, Dad, Meredith, and Todd for your understanding and support. "One love ... sisters, brothers, one life, but we're not the same, we've got to care for each other ... " -U2

Dave French

Good Luck to the Class of '96.

J.T. Frisino

Baseball 1, 2, Soccer 1; C.O.P.E. Classic 2, 3, 4; Ziti Dinner 4

These have been the longest four years of my life. Good luck to the Class of '96! Good luck Daddy Mac.

Aurelie Frydman

French Club 4; Tennis 4.

Bonjour!

Before I go I would like to take time to thank all the people who made my stay here so special. When I first came to America I didn't know what to expect (I almost turned around and got back on the plane for home!). I didn't know what East Longmeadow would be like. I didn't know what school here would be like. How would it be? How would I be? At home I had plenty of friends, who would my friends be here?

Luckily for me, there were so many people willing to take on that role. My hosts the Davies, Howie and Rae, were wonderful to me and I will never be able to thank them enough for all that they've done. My school friends, the memories of whom are too numerous and too crazy to mention here, have surely taken the place of all the pictures and souvenirs I've collected in my time at East Longmeadow- in fact, they are the most prized possessions I will carry back with me to France.

A. Bientot, Aurelie

Patrick R. Frye

Baseball 1, 2, 3, 4; Football 1, 2, 3, 4; Hockey 1, 2, 3, 4.

Well, I finally made it out of high school. I can't believe it! I just want to say good luck to all the seniors. To all my friends: John, Mike, Katlyn, Mike, and Kyle, thanks for being there when I needed you. To my Mom and Dad, you're the best parents a kid could have!

Lisa Diane Gagnon

Ziti Dinner 4; Basketball 1; Softball 1, 2; Field Hockey 2; Office Aide 1; Key Club 1; Spartanum 4.

I'd like to thank my parents for helping me through these rough four years. I appreciate everything you've done for me. I love you. I'd also like to say to my brother, Peter, keep your head straight kid. Don't mess up like me. You know I'll always be there for you. To my friend, Zakiyyah: Girl, words can't explain what you've done for me. Since eighth grade we've been close and you've kept my head strong through it all. I'll never forget you, Kiyyah. Finally, I'd like to thank my best friend, Jimmy, for staying with me no matter what I did to you. You always told me right from wrong, taught me to be a strong person, and go for what I believe in. You mean the world to me, and I hope we're friends forever. And to the Class of '96, Good luck!

Jeremy Gamache

Literary Magazine 3, 4; Volleyball 3, 4; French Club 4; C.O.P.E. Classic 2; Golf 2.

The only way to describe high school and all my years of school is hard and very long. I thought that I would never get out of here. But my friends have made my years in high school much more interesting and fun. "What a long strange trip it's been."

Dimitri Gartsbeyn

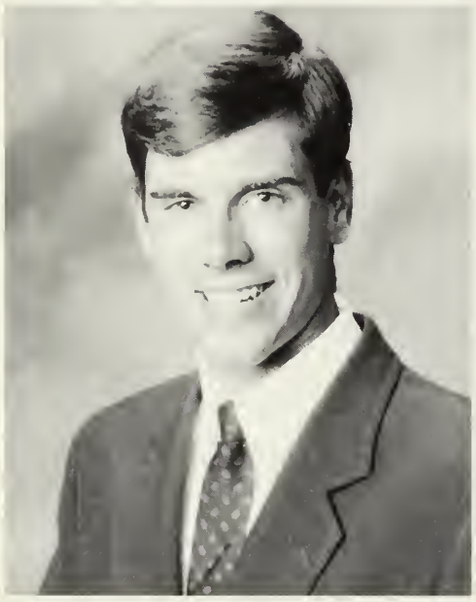
Baseball 1; Soccer 1; Tennis 2, 3, 4; National Honor Society 3, 4; Science League 4; Homeroom Rep. 4.

"I had a dollar and that's all I had.
A million more is just a star in the sky.
Tip of the iceburg, but we've all got to try.
Our works cut, and there's work to be done.
A dollar and a dream, it's step number one."
-The Mighty, Mighty Bosstones

. . . this is my quest, to follow that star, no matter how hopeless, no matter how far.

Dan Gauthier

"Faith is something attainable by all souls. Some, though, do not have the resilience or courage or want to reach it. Love is a feeling we generate within ourselves, though most could never respect themselves or believe in themselves abundantly enough to feel it. Heaven is a beauty we all can see above us. Yet how can we see it when all have chosen to look down upon themselves and their brother."



Charles Hathaway Gray

Swimming 1, 2, 3, 4 (Captain); Tennis 1, 2, 3, 4 (Captain); Math Team 1, 2, 3, 4; Nat'l Honor Society 3, 4 (VP); Spartan Spectator 2, 3, 4 (Editor); Key Club 1, 2, 3, 4; Spanish Club 2, 3, 4; Model Congress 3, 4; As Schools Match Wits 3, 4; Spartanum 4; Yearbook 3, 4 (wannabe).

The time has come for us to go our separate ways. I've enjoyed my days at ELHS and as I look back on many fond memories, it is difficult to cope with the reality of leaving. I will always cherish those special friendships, which I hope will only get stronger in the years to come. "Whoso would be a man, must be a nonconformist . . . . Nothing is at last sacred but the integrity of your own mind. Absolve you to yourself and you shall have the suffrage of the world." -Ralph Waldo Emerson "We shall not cease from exploration, and the end to all our exploring will be to arrive where we started and know the place for the first time." T.S. Elliot

Daniel Geer

Cafeteria Monitor 3; Ziti Dinner 4.

Well, I can't believe it's over and boy, I wish it weren't. To all the guys, and you know who you are, the fun has just begun. I thank my friends for the best years of my life, and the best times too. I'd also like to thank my mother, father, and my little brother for dealing with me for all these years. Thanks again to all those who have been there for me.

Dave Gibson

Good Luck to the Class of '96.

Kelly Glover

Collaborative 1, 2, 3, 4.

Even though it seems like I didn't learn much, I still had a great time with my friends. One more thing for you to keep in mind as you go out into the world, a Native American proverb: "We do not inherit the land from our ancestors, we are borrowing it from our children."

Nekeya Gomez

Hey, it's finally my last year! In my time here I've learned a lot about helping children and students. I remember all the fun I had with my friends from school. Now I am leaving this year and I will miss you all. I thank all the deaf and hard of hearing for being supportive of me. To my family and friends, good-bye and I love you all. Finally to the Class of '96, stay cool and peace out!

Richard Gomez

Ziti Dinner 4, Tutor 3; Literary Magazine 4, Spanish Club 3, 4

Good Luck to the Class of '96 and to my brother. I hope that you succeed in all you do!

Dulce Goncalves

W.R.S.D. Basketball 1, 2, 3; W.R.S.D. Track 2; AIDS/HIV Peer Education 4; Jr. N.A.D. (Pres.) 3, 4; Homeroom Rep. 4.

I finally made it! I couldn't have done it without my family, my best friends, and everyone else who supported me. Thank you.

Nicole Marie Gonsalves

Field Hockey 1, 2, 3; Swimming 1, 2, 3, 4 (Captain); Yearbook 1, 2, 3, 4; Spartanum 1, 2, 3, 4; C.O.P.E. Classic 2; French Club 3, 4; Ziti Dinner 4; Key Club 4.

Mom, Dad, and Kris: Thank you for the love and support you have given me, especially in these last four years. It means a lot to me. Cyndy: Thanks for being by my side; I will always remember the good times we had together. Whenever I had a problem, I knew I could count on you. Becca and Martha: You guys are great. The four of us shared some funny times. Always remember Baywatch and flying like a bird. Getting fat together was the most fun. I will never forget you guys and you'd better not forget Waterfalls (well, it does have four letters). Charles: the macaroni is hard, and our late night chats. Don't forget to leave a tip at Boston Market! Eric: This past year has been fun. Thank you, I know we'll always stay friends. Dave: You are one of the funniest people I've ever met. Don't change. Amanda: Have fun being a pirate. Thanks for listening. Kendall: Even though we didn't always get along, you were always there for me. I really do appreciate it! Good luck in swimming! Best of luck to the class of '96!

Some DREAMS we have are nothing else but unnatural and full of contradictions.

Mike Goodwin

Basketball 1, 2; Soccer 1; Class Officer 1, 2, 3 (secretary), 4 (VP); C.O.P.E. Classic 3, 4; Spartanum 3, 4; AIDS Committee 3, 4; Student Council 3, 4; Zitti Dinner 4

I would like to thank my mom, dad, Kate, and Steph for their support during these last four years. To my whole family: thank you for always being there. April: Make these next four years the best. They're going to fly by! Dave and Jim: You are like brothers to me. Thanks for the great memories and laughs. To the best of my close friends: Thank you for the parties and for laughing at my jokes, even the bad ones! Never forget the great times we had. To the Class of '96: It's been a blast these last few years, keep partying. I'll see you around. -Goodie

Mark Gosselin

Well we did it! It's been fun hanging out with everyone. Over the years I made new friends and lost them. I want to thank the people who made it possible for my last few years to be fun ones. C-ya around, take care.

David A. Gowdy

Band 1, 2, 3, 4; Tennis 2; Lit. Mag. 3; Project Life Work 3; Model Congress 2; Spartanum 4; French Club 2, 3, 4; Chorus 4; Male Chorus 4.

Looking back on the past four years, I've had many fond memories as well as bad ones; friends and relationships gone by, lives passing on, and friends and family members struggling for their sanity. And in the end, only a few were actually learning experiences. Now we face one of the largest changes of our lives ..... graduation. Well, whatever you do with yourselves after high school, best of luck!! NEVER underestimate the young! And never underestimate yourself! If you want something to happen . . . then you automatically have the power to do it!

Robin Eileen Granado

Cheerleading (Captain) 2, 3, 4; Spartanum 2, 3, 4; Project Lifework 3, 4, C.O.P.E. Classic 3, 4, Key Club 4; Spanish Club 3, Ziti Dinner 4; E.A.C. 4, Words Not Weapons 4; Powder Puff 4

Well, we finally made it. It's been a long trip, but we have reached our destination. Thank you very much to my family, I love you guys alot! Good luck in whatever you do! Monica: We wouldn't have made it without each other. Always remember eighth grade. Jay: You helped me through everything, especially my problems. Always remember the number 27. I love you. To the Cheerleaders: You guys are the best. You are on your own now. Do me a favor and respect each other. I love you guys. To the class of '96 and all my friends: Good Luck.

Errin Green

Band 1, 2, 3, 4; Softball 1, 2, 3, 4 (captain); National Honor Society 3, 4 (president); Project Lifework 3; Yearbook 3, 4; Ziti Dinner 4; Class President 1, 2, 3, 4; Math Team 1; Science League 4; Debate 4; Basketball 1, 2; Key Club 1.

"I came, I saw, I conquered." Well everybody, it's finally over! It's been a long four years, and each year has been filled with pleasant memories. I'll always remember the Class of '96. After all, you have invaded a quarter of my life! (Smile.) Dan, my LPFL: I know that you'll succeed in all that you do (especially since I taught you all you know). Sophia and Johari: We'll always have Chandler Village 16-3. It was a fun summer and I'll never forget it. Kiesha: We've sort of gone our separate ways, but if you ever need me, Ill be there. Chrissy and Aimee: You are both punks (smile), but I love you just the same. Sio: Greeny didn't forget you. Kiyyah Dumiss: We've grown closer over the years. You know that I love you. You're my lawyer, so you had better come to Boston and defend me. I won't miss you because you are forbidden to leave me. There, it's done! Is everyone satisfied? Toodles!

Andy Hallopeter

Ziti Dinner 4; C.O.P.E. Classic 1, 2, 3; Spartanum 4.

To all my friends, you know who you are: Thanks for a lot of great times. Dez: You have been the greatest best friend that anyone could ever have. I appreciate everything that you've done. Thanks. Good luck in the future to the class of '96.

Don't tell me what you DREAMED last night -

Heather Halon

Field Hockey 1, 2

Good luck to the Class of 1996. Life's a long trip and it's still not over. Remember Lucy in the Sky with Diamonds. To Stephy, Tara, and Lindsey: Don't forget, graduation is not a parting of the ways, it's just a single step along the way. We'll always be friends. Thanks for everything, Mom, Dad, Melanie, Keith, and Paul.

Brett Hamlin

Good luck to the class of '96. It's been a great four years here at ELHS. "Computing is astoundingly inexpensive and computers inhabit every part of our lives, we stand at the brink of another revolution." -Bill Gates

Lindsey Hamlin

Field Hockey 1, 2; Softball 1; Drama Club 1, 2, 3, 4; Key Club 1, 2; Powder Puff 2; Literary Magazine 3, 4.

Hey Kitty Cats! "Why are there so many Chinese people in here?" We gonna get smaa at exx, drip, drip . . . And to the Class of '96: No one wants to stand naked in a crowd and for those who do, the more power to you. "Lindsey in the sky with diamonds."

Michael Hannigan

Allied Health 3, 4; Project Lifework 3, 4; Powder Puff 4; Ziti Dinner 4.

Good Luck to my brother Jeff and the Class of '97: I hope that all of you will make your senior year your best year.

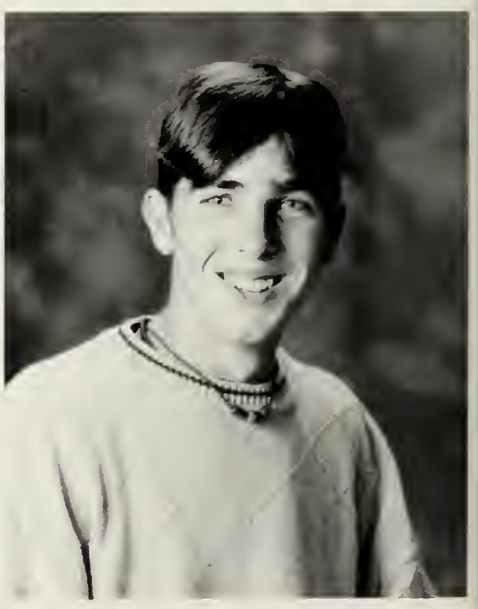
Robert Hawley

Band 1, 2, 3, 4; Basketball 1.

Good luck to the Class of 1996. Special thanks to the person who has helped me along and put up with me. You know who you are.

Patrick Hellyer

Good Luck to the Class of '96.



I am so unhappy at the present time, yet my DREAMS are indescribably happy.

Brad Holmes

Football 1; Wrestling 1.

Spending these last four years with all my friends was fun and I'd live it all over again if I could. I hope to keep in touch with all my friends. To all my dirt biking buddies: Keep riding and watch out for those trees, they'll get you every time.

Cristiano Hugentobler

Soccer 4.

Thanks Dad for sending me here. And special thanks to my host family the Schloyers. Mom, Dad, Nyssa, Erin, and Bryce: thanks so much for opening your home and your hearts to me. I'll never forget what you've done for me.

Heather Shannon Humphries

Key Club 1, 2; Swimming 2; Powder Puff 2, 4; French Club 3; Spanish Club 2, 3; Ziti Dinner 4.

Breathe, breathe in the air; Don't be afraid to care; Leave but don't leave me; Look around and choose your own ground; For long you live and high you fly: And smiles you give and tears you'll cry; And all you touch and all you see; Is all your life will ever be.-Pink Floyd. Brendan, my little brother, enjoy the next three years, always be yourself, don't follow the crowd too closely, you'll impress more people. To the Class of '96: the past twelve years are less than half of the life you have left to live. Enjoy the future, but never forget the past. Thank you to my friends and family. I love you.

Liza Hyland

Basketball 1, 2; Softball 1, 2, 3, 4; French Club 1, 2, 3; Spanish Club 3, 4; EAC 1, 2; Powder Puff 2; Pancake Breakfast; Ziti Dinner 4; Spartanum 4

To the class of 1996, good luck in the future. It's been fun. To my friends, thanks for all the great times. Marlyn, I don't know what I would do without you. You're a true friend. Thanks a lot. Sara M., keep in touch. My memories of ELHS are both good and bad, but I wouldn't change them for anything. Our years together were long and hard, but we're now starting the next part of our lives. Best wishes to everybody.

Denise Leona Irla

Soccer 1 (manager); Office Aide 3, 4; Yearbook 1, 4; Spanish Club 2; Powder Puff 4; Ziti Dinner 4; Spartanum 4.

To the class of 1996, good luck in the future. Julie, thanks for being there for me when I needed you. We've been friends for eight years! Here's to everlasting friendships! Benna, through dark clouds of trouble, friendship shines through. Katie, mi prima! Someday it'll be you. To the girls, you're next! Make it last. Thanks to my teachers! Mrs. Fitz, thanks for the push I needed. To my Mom and Dad, I love you! Thanks for always supporting me. To my friend, my idol, my sister . . . Thanks! I love you nerd boy!

"We're like two lost souls living in a fish bowl, year after year. Running over the same old ground, what have we found? The same old fear. Wish you were here." -Pink Floyd

Mark T. Irzyk

C.O.P.E. Classic 4; Track 4; Ziti Dinner 4; Key Club 4.

It seems like school just started yesterday, but it's really been twelve years. Although it went fast, I will always keep the memories that have built up along these twelve years.

"Never give up and always try to succeed" was what helped me when times were tough. Mostly I owe it to my friends, who were there for me when I needed them. To Mike, Ryan, Brett, Jeff, Eric, and Nikki, good luck in the future and stay in touch. Becca, I will always be there for you. Mom and Dad, thanks for your support. Good luck to everyone!

Somewhere over the rainbow, skies are blue and the DREAMS that you dare to DREAM really do come true.

Jennifer M. Jakus

Soccer 1, 2, 3; Ziti Dinner 4; C.O.P.E. Classic 3, 4; Key Club 4; Powder Puff 4.

These past four years have been great and I have learned a lot. I'd like to thank my friends for making it so fun, especially Kate, Kari, and Steph. Good luck to the Class of '96! "Once in a while you get shown the light, in the strangest of places, if you look at it right."

Jessica G. Jenson

Congratulations to the Class of '96. Thanks to all my friends and especially my mother, who was always there for me: Good luck in the future and in whatever you do. I hope we never lose touch. Josh, I love you. Good luck everyone!

Steve Jerry

Time of lying in the sunshine
staying home to watch the rain,
In June my yellowed life is long
and there is time to kill today,
And then one day you'll find
ten years have got behind you
No one told you where to run
you missed the starting gun.
-Pink Floyd

Beth Johnson

Soccer 1; Softball 1, Newspaper 2; C.O.P.E. Classic 3; Powder Puff 4, Ziti Dinner 4; Spanish Club 4; Words not Weapons 4; Homeroom Rep. 4.

"The delicate thread of the search for truth, Once again unites our legions, Years of obligations and promises behind, One by one we get together one more time, Dare to light the candle of long ago dreams, Lift the staff of courage, sincerity, the thing that is right. Small contributions by sheer numbers, Our dream of America- Proud, free, green, Seems less impossible." "I wish you were here to see it . . . " -Jim Morrison

Nicole Nikitta Jones

Basketball 1; Spanish Club 3.

Good luck to 'ya' Class of '96! I would like to give my thanks to Ma Dukes!

Elisabeth Carmella Jurkowski

C.O.P.E. Classic 3, 4; Ziti Dinner 4; International Club 1; Spanish Club 2; Band 1, 2; Spartanum 3, 4; Powder Puff 2, 4; Yearbook 4.

"For those who dream, there is no such word as impossible" - Anonymous To my friends: Thank you for the laughs and the unforgettable memories. To my family: Thank you for the advice and support.

Simple DREAMS turn into realities.

Staffan Kallback

Soccer 4; Swedish Club (pres.) 4; KISS Worshipping Club 4.

I would like to say thanks, hi and bye to the following: The Levines, The Prendergasts, East Longmeadow, E.L.H.S., my friends, Coach Serafino and the soccer team, Mr. Maller, Jakob Hellman, Alan, Becka, and America. I especially want to thank Sandi, Al, Andrea, and Tanner Hubbard. Thank you for everything. I love you!

Lisa Kane

Key Club 1, 2, 4; Spanish Club 2; Field Hockey 2; Ziti Dinner 4; Powder Puff 2, 4.

Moment of inner freedom when the mind is opened and infinite universe revealed and the soul is left to wonder dazed and confused searching here and there for teachers and friends open all doors. You can walk through anyone that suits you. - Jim Morrison To all my friends: You know who you are. Thank you so much for giving me the best four years of my life. Especially Jess: I'm so glad that we made it through the good and the bad times. Our friendship is rare and I'm glad to know that I have a best friend like you, who will always be there for me. Last but not least, Mom and Dad: Thank you so much for everything and especially helping me get through the hardest years of my life.

Brant Kelley

Football 1, 2, 3, 4; Basketball 1; C.O.P.E. Classic 2, 3, 4; Project Lifework 3, 4; Powder Puff 4; Ziti Dinner 4; Spartanum 3, 4.

"Few are selected for what others dream about.

Beautiful DREAMER, wake unto me, starlight and dewdrops are waiting for thee.

Mark O. Kelley

National Honor Society 3, 4; Basketball 3; Tennis 3; Football 4; Ziti Dinner 4, Powder Puff 4; Spartanum 4; C.O.P.E. Classic 4

C'est la vie.

Reed Kellman

National Honor Society 3, 4.

I never really talked much in school, I guess I'm not very talkative in large groups. Anyway, it was nice to know all of the students and teachers here. Good luck to the Class of '96. Follow through with your dreams.

Stephanie Kimble

Key Club 1, 3, 4 (P.R. Rep.), Basketball 2, 3; Track 2; Environmental Action Club 2; Powder Puff 2, 4.

We're just 2 lost souls; Swimming in a fish bowl; Year after year; Running over the same old ground; Or have we found; The same old fears?; Wish you were here. - Pink Floyd The wheel is turning and you can't slow down: You can't let go and you can't hold on; You can't go back and you can't stand still; If the thunder don't get you, then the lightening will. - Grateful Dead

You see things and say "why" . . .

Julie Klein

Soccer 1, Ziti Dinner 4; Spartanum 4; Powder Puff 4

Good Luck to the class of '96. Denise: You are the best friend anyone could ever have! Benna: Stay crazy. You're such a great friend. Melissa: Keep smiling! Brie: I don't get it! Wanna go to the shell? No, I feel dumb. Ellen: You are so rad! Cori: Share the wealth! Brad: You are the biggest sweetie! Heather Humps: I saw a candle and it had two flames. Never forget class with Cookie! Come and get your love! McDonalds! Little Jose! Apartment! Do you have any gas money? Stripper Boy! The Grind! Primus! The Hood! Sleepovers! Lies! Nerd Boy! To all my friends: Stay out of trouble and have fun! I love you all!

Stephanie M. Koske

Field Hockey 1; Swimming 1.

To my friends: Jo: We made it, who knows how, but we did it. Lindsey: Do you want to roll one of those for me, Cowgirl? Egg: Sing me a song, you're the Piano Man. We'll always be the Pointer Sisters. Freddy: You were always like a mother to all of us. Somebody had to keep us in line, thanks. Tara: It's not easy being cheesy. Sarah: Even though we grew apart, you'll always be my best friend.

Koren LeClair

French Club 2, 3.

"This is the time to remember, 'cause it will not last forever. These are the days to hold on to, 'cause we won't all though we'll want to." -Billy Joel To the Class of '96: Here it is! Graduation. The day we waited so long for is here all of a sudden. I want to wish all of you good luck in whatever you decide to do with your future. Congratulations and keep in touch! To my family and friends: Thanks for being there through my thirteen years of East Longmeadow Public Schools. You are the people who made this possible for me!

but I DREAM things that never were, and I say "why not".

Timothy Levine

Baseball 1; French Club 2, 3; C.O.P.E. Classic 3, 4; Ziti Dinner 4; T.A.P. 2; Spartanum 4.

FIGHTING, MATING, WARRING
YOU ARE ALL THIS NOW
BE AWARE, NOT SCARED
LOOK AT ME NOW
SILENCE
I SAY
YOU ARE THE WORLD
-E. KOWALCZYK

Sarah Lindwall

Yearbook 2, 3, 4 (editor); Softball 1; Spartanum 1, 2, 3, 4 (director); Science League 1; As Schools Match Wits 3, 4; Key Club 2, 4; Band 1, 2, 3; Jazz Band 2, 3; RYLA 2; Ziti Dinner 4; Spanish Club 2.

"I don't understand why everyone stares, When I take off my clothes and dance down the stairs. Or when I stick carrots in both of my ears, Then dye my hair green and go shopping at Sears. I just love to dress up and do goofy things, If I were an angel I'd tie dye my wings. Why can't folks accept me the way that I am? So what if I'm different and don't act like them? I'm not going to change and be someone I'm not, I like who I am and I'm all that I've got." -Phil Bolsta Ben: Play me a song, you're the piano man. Jennie: I have complete and total control! Johari and Laura: How many editors does it take to screw in a lightbulb? Jeff: I can't find my music, it's Haydn. Babycakes: Hey! Eric: Rare, medium, or well done? Corrie, Jen, Brian, Nora, Kiley, Elizabeth, Heather, Anthony, and Zach: You're all having Thanksgiving dinner at my house in 2008 - We'll play flag football.

Erin Teresa Long

Soccer 1, 2, 3, 4; Powder Puff 4; Spanish Club 1; International Club 1; C.O.P.E. Classic 1, 2, 3, 4; Ziti Dinner 4.

New and old friends, I will never forget you. Best friends, good friends, like sisters and brothers, like family, there for each other. Through good times and through bad, we've stuck together. We have a true friendship, unique and genuine. Soon we will part and go separate ways. It is then that we will look back and remember each other as friends. Too much has been shared to turn and walk away. When the day comes for us to say our last goodbyes, I'll hold you in my arms my friend and I'll surely start to cry. P.S. Cabbagehead: I crushed my eyeliner. Erin + Jason + Cabbagehead + Ricky + Gina = Best Friends. Julie and Heather: You're the best. Mom, Dad, and A.J.: I love you. Thank you for supporting me in all I've done. P.P.S. I'll miss you Timmy. 2 Joelle, Laura, Beth, Sara, Sara, Jen, Ashley, Dina, Amanda - I luv you all, FRIENDS FOR LIFE ..... UNTIL OUR DREAM IN LIFE IS OVER!

I'm wishing for the one I love to find me today; I'm hoping and I'm DREAMING of the nice things he'll say.

Jennifer Lynn Lopardo

Band 1, 2, 3, 4, French Club 2, 3, 4; International Club 1; Ziti Dinner 4; Class Officer 4 (Secretary); Environmental Action Club 4; Key Club 4; Spartanum 4; C.O.P.E. Classic 4.

Good luck Class of '96! Carrie, Jeff, Jason, Korinne, Dave, and especially Alan: I love you guys, you're the best. Mason: If you find Colin, give him my regards, Love, Matlock. Jeff: Are you up for a checker fight? Jason: I loved the couch acrobatics. (Jay D.: You were pretty lithe!) Moss: "I feel like a refugee!" re-re-re, say "Hi" to Animal. Cuddlebunny: I'll love you forever, Kitten. Dave: Soft taco? Don't change! Alan: You'll always be my champion. Keep in touch! "Beyond the horizon of the place we lived when we were young, in a world of magnets and miracles, our thoughts strayed constantly and without boundary." -Pink Floyd

Sophia Lopez

C.O.P.E. 1; International Club 1; Spanish Club 2, 3, 4; Office Aide 2; Key Club 2, 3, 4; Powder Puff 2, 4; AIDS Educator 3, 4; Ziti Dinner 4; Homeroom Rep. 4; Words Not Weapons 4; Spartanum 4; Project Lifework 3; Tutor 4.

It's been a long, but short ride filled with great memories, hopes and dreams, that I'll never forget. Thanks to all the people out there who kept my four years at ELHS real, the people who were themselves, were there for me through thick and thin, and pushed me through it all. Jo Fruity: I'll never forget you. You are my first and forever friend. Ash: Thanks for being you. To all my girls: Love Ya' much, keep it real, listen and learn. It took me a long time to find myself and appreciate my school, town, and friends, but I made it, thanks to God and my family for the love and support and especially Marisol: you really know and understand the true Sophia. Class of '96: Remember these last words, Risk, Risk anything! Care no more for the opinions of others, for those voices. Do the hardest thing on earth for you. Act for yourself.

Mike Lord

Good luck to the Class of 1996 and to all my boys and girls, I love you.

Corinne Elizabeth-Gabriel Luce

Cross Country 2, 3, 4; Track 1, 4; Basketball 1; Yearbook 4; Environmental Action Club 1, 2; Lit Mag 2, 3, 4; Newspaper 2; Key Club 1; AIDS Training 3; Project Lifework 4.

"This is my world, and I am the world leader pretend. This is my life, and this is my time. I have been given freedom to do as I see fit. It's high time I raised the wall that I've constructed. It's amazing what devices you can sympathize, empathize. I raised the wall and I will be the one to knock it down." - Michael Stipe

Richard MacDonald

Good luck to my friends in the Class of '96.

Jason MacNaught

Thanks to all my friends on the wrestling team for four good years, and good luck to the Class of '96.

The future belongs to those who believe in the beauty of their DREAMS.

Craig Marsh

Basketball (WRSD) 1, 2; Baseball 1; Track 2; Junior National Association of the Deaf 2, 3, 4.

It's finally over and it's about time. Four years of waiting, and we're finally Seniors. Mom and Dad: Thanks for putting up with me. Let's go into the real world. Good luck to the Class of 1996.

Dan Maurer

Football 1, 2, 3, 4 (capt); Basketball 1, 2, 3; Baseball 1, 2, 3, 4 (capt); Spartanum 3, 4; Powder Puff 2, 4; Student Council 1, 2, 3, 4; Words Not Weapons.

Thanks to the football team over the past four years. It has been the one constant through my high school years. Also thanks to Goodwin, X-blocks, and especially school dances. Jeff, Josh, and Tom: Cards over the years have been fun. Monday nights just weren't the same when you were gone. Joelle: This year has been lots of fun, whether we were at dinner or Jeff and I were watching your field hockey games. Swiss Cheese.

Megan Lee McCarthy

Office Aid 1, 2, 3, 4; Yearbook 2, 3, 4 (Business Editor); C.O.P.E. Classic 1, 2, 4; Spartanum 3, 4; International Club 1; Spanish Club 2, 3, 4; AIDS Awareness 3, 4; Key Club 4; Girls State 3; Powder Puff 2 (Cheerleading Coach), 4; Ziti Dinner 4.

Congratulations to the class of '96! Sarah-through the years our friendship has only become stronger. Sara, Laura, Manda, there's been tough times but it only made us closer (trees, dumpsters J.K.), Lis, Steph, you were there for me no matter what happened. Thanks for being my friends. To the "girls," our walk to Friendly's freshman year-you drive! You've all given me great memories. Maura-the best friend a sister could have, you're unique and special, don't let anyone tell you different. To my family, thanks for putting up with me and helping me through everything. I love you all. May the years ahead be as happy and as rewarding as our years together. I'll never forget you class of '96!

Kristin Anne McMillan

Tennis 1, 2, 3, 4; Spartanum 3, 4 (director); Key Club 1, 2, 3, 4; Student Advisory Committee 4; C.O.P.E. Classic 2, 3, 4; Powder Puff 2, 4; Office Aide 1, 2, 3, 4; Girls State 3; International Club 1; French Club 1, 2.

The time has come for us to move on. I want to thank Shaft and Stinky for making Spartanum great. Sarah- you're a true friend. Thanks for always being there and giving me good advice. To all my friends, thanks for making our times great and always making me laugh until I cried. We had a lot of good times and I wish you all the best of luck next year. Mom, Dad, and Steve- Thanks for always being there for me. You guys are the best and I love you always. To the Class of '96- Good luck next year and for the years to come.

Jimmy McNeill

Basketball 1; Cross Country 2, 3; Swimming 1, 2, 3, 4; Track 2, 3, 4; JRNAD's Club Member 3, 4.

Good luck to the Class of '96! Ryan, Mike Craig, and all my friends: You've been great friends, so keep in touch guys!

Sarah McNulty

Good luck to the Class of '96!

DREAM another DREAM, this DREAM is over.

Alan Meunier

Cross-Country 1, 2, 3, 4 (Captain); Swimming 3, 4, Track 1, 2, 3, 4 (Captain); International Club 1; French Club 2, 3, 4; Band 1, 2, 3, 4; Literary Magazine 4; Drama Club 4, Science League 4; Spartanum 4

Hm? OH! TO: Carrie- Ha, Ha! He called you first . . . again! Michelle- So what'd you get? -Argh (Good to see you again . . .) Tom- You gotta land ON the mats! Jay-Hades "Forever", Bruce! Jeff- HAH! MOLD!. . . Always remember Bonnuckburn . . . Running partner Jay- "WA-TAAH" Lechmere. I know you're not! Ah, Gill! Oh, my! Rrrrobyn! Dan and the team- Good luck next year. And Dave, my fourth brother and roomie-there's so much to say so I'll just say not to worry, I'm sure HE has something good in store for you. Just sit tight. Thanks for everything. To teachers and students-It's been interesting. Take care. And to all- "I will remember" "Time is fleeting now, they say . . . one more time around is all I ask for now . . . A star to steer by, a wind to take me home again." "Read between the lines, criticize the words they're selling . . Think for yourself and feel the walls become sand beneath your feet." -Queensryche

Amy Michaelian

Field Hockey 2, 4; Softball 1, 2; C.O.P.E. 1; Key Club 1; Powder Puff 2, 4; Ziti Dinner 4; C.O.P.E. Classic 4.

"Don't you feel a change a'comin' from another side of time, breaking down the walls of silence, lifting shadows from your mind, placing back the missing mirrors that before you could not find, filling mysteries of emptiness that yesterday left behind. We all know it's better that yesterday has past, now let's start living for one that'll last." Class of '96: Thank you for all the great times. I also want to thank Ashley, Joelle, my field hockey team, and Coach Lussier. I wish you all great success in the future.

Chris Minchella

Soccer 1, 2; Homeroom Rep. 4; Powder Puff 2, 4; Hockey 1, 2, 3, 4; Golf 1; Ziti Dinner 4; AIDS Committee.

To the Class of 1996: We have had four fun years together. To all my good friends: Thanks for the good times and the memories. Mom and Dad: Thanks for pushing me to do my best. I couldn't have made it without you.

DREAMS are true while they last, and do we not live in DREAMS?

Joshua A. Miner

Yearbook 1, 2, 3, 4, Spartanum 1, 2, 3, 4; Ski Team 3, 4; National Honor Society 3, 4.

If the last twelve years have taught us anything, it's that we should look optimistically to the future and resist the temptation to dwell on our pasts. Mom and Dad: Thanks for believing in my goal to be an animator. Thanks for being there for me. Sean: Thanks for helping me with things and being there to support me in school and in O.W.L.S.

Dani Michele Montgomery

Basketball 2; Ziti Dinner 4; Words Not Weapons 4.

When I first moved here from Springfield, I tried to find all that I could wrong with this school and this town but I realize that it was for the better. Living here and going to this school kept me out of a lot of trouble. It brought me to an atmosphere that I had never been around before. There are some things I would like to change here if I could, but to all my friends I've met over the three years I was here, thank you and good luck in the future. I'll carry with me all the memories of being here throughout my life. Good luck to all the Class of '96, and those beyond.

John Morello

Good luck to the Class of 1996.

I had a DREAM which was not all a DREAM.

Sara Morrisino

Future Teachers Club 3.

"We keep looking forward, opening up new doors, and doing new things, because we're curious ..... and curiosity keeps leading us down new paths." - Walt Disney

It's been a long twelve years, and taken all of us down different paths. Still we've kept close and made up the Class of '96, one you'll never forget. Mom and Dad, thanks for always being there. RJ, you make each day unforgettable. Thanks for making me never give up. To my best friend Jessica, somehow you always seem to make me laugh. Have you seen Winston? Santina, we've had some crazy times together, a lot of them were some of the best times in my life. Keep drawing forever. Have you seen that strange leprechaun anywhere?

Josh Moses

Golf 1, 2, 3, 4; Football 1; C.O.P.E. Classic 3, 4; Ziti Dinner 4.

Well we made it, we're finally graduating. It seems weird, one minute the most important thing on your mind is what your going to do on the weekend and the next minute it's what college your going to decide on. Besides dingling and hiking are only two things you can do on the weekend anyway. (Private Jones). I guess what I want to say is, good luck to the Class of '96 and I'll never forget my experience at ELHS.

Dave Nadle

Soccer 1, 2, 3; Wrestling 2; C.O.P.E. Classic 1, 3; Powder Puff 2; Key Club 1, 2, 3;

To the Class of '96: we did it! I'd like to thank Mr. Mazz and Mr. Freccero for not coming down too hard on me. Also thanks to my friends, "The Boys" you know who you are. We've had our good times and hopefully many more are to come. Finally, to my parents, Thank you for putting up with me and for not giving up on me.

Between tomorrow's DREAM and yesterday's regrets is today's opportunities.

Jeffery A. Niznik

Football 1, 2, 3, 4 (Captain); Basketball 1, 2, 3; Spartanum 3, 4, C.O.P.E. Classic 3, 4; Powder Puff 2, 4 (Coach); Ziti Dinner 4

To a great class, great times, to a school that's got spirit, and to teachers that never stop caring: Thanks for all the memories.
Niz

Paul E. Ottoson

Soccer 1, 2, 3, 4; Basketball 1; Powder Puff 2, 4; C.O.P.E. Classic 3, 4; Ziti Dinner 4.

Where has the time gone? It seems like yesterday we walked through the doors of ELHS wondering what lay ahead of us. Now, as we go our separate ways, remember the good times and bad, and remember all the friendships that were made. To the Class of '96: Good luck and may success follow you in everything you do.

Michael Parent

Cross Country 2, 3; Track 3, 4; Words Not Weapons 3; French Club 3; Ziti Dinner 4; Spartanum 4.

Congratulations to the Class of '96. We've been together for a long time. It's been tough at times, but it was worth it. To all of my friends: Marsh, Steve, Brett, Jeff Jim, and everyone who was there for all of the good times (you know who you are), thank you. To the teachers of ELHS, thank you for the support and for teaching me what it takes to get to the top. I also would like to give a shout out to my mom and brother for the extra push toward the finish line; not that this is really the end, only a new beginning.

Only the DREAMERS shall understand reality.

Jennifer Carmela Porfilio

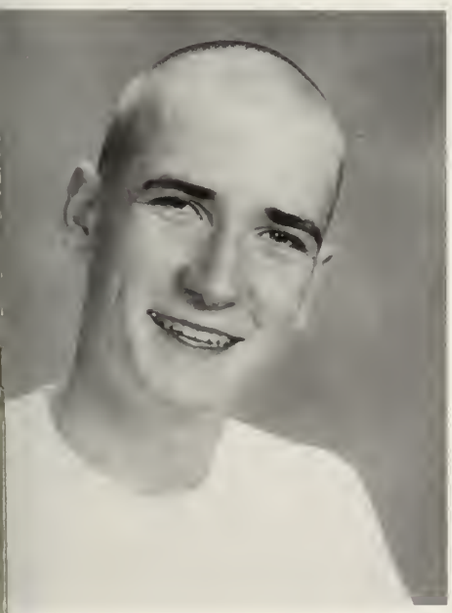
Student Council 1, 2, 3, 4 (Vice President); C.O.P.E. 2, 3, 4 (Advisor); Powder Puff 2; Office Aide 1, Band 1, 2, 3, 4; Spanish Club 3, 4; Yearbook 4; Ziti Dinner 4; Nat'l Honor Society 4, C.O.P.E. Classic 1, 3, 4; Spartanum 1, 2, 3, 4 (Director).

"This time, like all times, is a very good one, if we but know what to do with it." -Ralph Waldo Emerson. Dina- We're family - 600 BC. Lis- Ceiling and snowfights! Ash- Use a hanger - FLUSH! Sarah- Lifeguards. Amy Mic- Italian Stallions! Steph- KABOOM! Manda- Woody Woodpecker laugh! Kris- Red lights (don't tell) Laverne- Tell Kris thanks. Joelle- Rollerblading, ow! Sophia- You're out! Kiyyah- Mt. View, first grade. Punk-rocky road? To ALL my friends- I LOVE YOU! Alfredo, my protector- I love you. I'll miss you more than words could say. You're the only brother I'd EVER want. Dad and Dee- Your love and guidance has brought me here today. Class of '96- With all my heart I wish you luck and happiness.

Patricia Portier

Office Aide 1; Environmental Action Club 1, 2, 3, 4; French Club 3; Spanish Club 4.

Good Luck Class of 1996! I hope you all get everything you wish for in life. To Benna, Beth, and Marlyn- We will always have X-block. Marlyn- Say hi to Tony. To my parents- Thanks for everything. Lisa- Have fun! P.S. Party at my house.



Rob Prorok

Soccer 1.

I hope I make it!

All men DREAM; but not equally.

James Redmond

Soccer 1, 2, 3, 4 (capt); Basketball 1, Ziti Dinner 4; C.O.P.E. Classic 1, 2, 3, 4, Spartanum 4

Thanks to the Class of '96. To all my friends: Thanks for the great memories. Good luck to you in the future. To the soccer team: thanks for four great years.

Joelle Christine Reed

Field Hockey 1, 2, 3, 4 (capt.); Track 4; Spartanum 3, 4; French Club 2, 3 (VP), 4 (Pres); International Club 1; C.O.P.E. 1, 2; Powder Puff 2, 4; Debate 2; Key Club 1, 3, 4; Aids Committee 3, 4; Yearbook 2; Office Aide 2; Ziti Dinner 4; Student Advisory Council 4; Homeroom Rep. 4.

"If I could wish for my life to be perfect, it would be tempting but I decline, for my life would no longer teach me anything." - Allyson Jones

To my entire family and friends, especially Dan (you win), Jen, Dana, Ashley, Jeff, Dina, and my incredible field hockey team and coaches: Thank you for everything you all have done for me. Today . . . wake up happy, chase a cloud, savour a memory, laugh out loud, whisper a promise, whistle a tune, fall asleep with a smile for the moon. Dream big. Reach high. Live. Love. Laugh. Sigh.

Livi Regenbaum

Drama Club 3. French Club 1, 2, 3, 4.

We've been through a lot the past four years and made it through with flying colors. Best of luck to the Class of '96 and I hope all your dreams come true. Thanks Mom, for all your encouragement. You're the greatest.

Do not DREAM to be anything but what you are, and to be that perfectly.

Steve Rivard

Good luck to the Class of '96. I love you all.

Tim A. Robbins

Football 3.
Good luck Class of '96.

Benna Robinson

International Club 1, 2; Environmental Club 1, 2, 4; Key Club 1, 2; Spanish Club 2, 3; Powder Puff 2, 4; Ziti Dinner 4; Yearbook 4.

Good luck Class of '96! Ellen: I'm gonna miss you so much! Always remember you are my only partner in crime! From Apartments to lying. To cops, cops, and more cops. Don't forget the embarrassing moments ... Truffle Snuffle. Don't ever change! Cori: Where would I be without you? In trouble I'm sure. IHOP forever! Don't forget trip to Maine at 6:15 tomorrow. Just kidding! Julie: Don't ever change. We've been through so much and you've always been there when I needed you. I love you. Brie: What can I say but 1st it's Edwards, McDonald's, Glichmen then to the Apartment. That's not fair, you never got caught. But I love you anyways. Melissa: Don't ever stop smiling. Greg, Brad, Chuck, Jon, Robin, Denise: I love you all and I will miss you so much!

Beth Roscoe

Tennis 1; Key Club 1, 2; C.O.P.E. 1, 2; International Club 1, 2; French Club 1, 2; Powder Puff 2; Ziti Dinner 4

Chrissy: Thank you for everything. You have always been there for me, and I will never forget that. We have been through a lot together in the past four years, between our drives to W.S. and barking at the dogs. Let's eat Hmmm! Where?? Subway! Remember the nights at the apartment, even though they weren't always enjoyable. We've grown up together and shared more memories than I can ever recall. We may go our separate ways but we will never grow apart! Can't wait until Montreal 18!!!! Good luck to the Class of '96!

Marlyn Rousseau

French Club 1, 2, 3; Environmental Club 1; International Club 1; Spartanum 4.

"What you are is God's gift to you. What you make of yourself is your gift to God."

You only go through high school once, so, to all the underclassmen, take this quote to heart. You can only improve yourself and make these four years the best years of high school, so enjoy it while you can. To Liza, Tricia, Benna, Beth, Jenny, Heather and Koren: I wish you lots of luck and success.

Aimee Rugani

Softball 1, 2, 3, 4 (Captain); Field Hockey 3, 4, NHS 4 (Member-at-large); Spanish Club 2, 3, 4; International Club 1; Math Team 4; Newspaper 2, 3, 4 (Asst. Editor); Spartanum 1, 2, 4; C.O.P.E. Classic 2, 3, 4; Powder Puff 2, 4; Key Club 1, 2, 3, 4; Ziti Dinner 4; Office Aide 1, 2; Model Congress 4.

Ericka: Well, I'm leaving . . . but I'll always be here for you. Stay out of trouble. I love you. The Crew: Good luck in the next three years. Natalie: Squeeze it. Jackie: Marco Polo. Chrissy: Ninja action, AP Chem, Alconox, death on the highway, scary people, people we don't hate, sniff, cough, you know the rest. Keep thinking about next year. Mic: Reeses. old slazy, no surrender, peace out. Field Hockey: It only gets better- Keep the tradition going. Greeny: Our lab mishaps, get a new backpack. Jen, Fuller, Medula's, screens, cabinet, Aladdin's cup, FP and Les, obsession(s), cellarin it. Deb: Mc's, glicky, RK + TR, soccer boys, 50, Maryland, Cath. enemy, Dwight Rd. To all my boys: I'm audi.

In my DREAM I was drowning my sorrows but my sorrows they learned to swim.

Ashley Salmon

Time is never time at all. You can never ever leave without leaving a piece of youth, And our lives are forever changed. We will never be the same. The more you change the less you feel. Believe, believe in me, believe, That life can change, that you're not stuck in vain. We're not the same, we're different tonight and you know you're never sure, But you're sure you could be right. Believe, believe in me, believe, in the resolute urgency of now. Tonight, so bright, tonight. The indescribable moments of your life tonight, The impossible is possible tonight, Believe in me as I believe if you, tonight. -Smashing Pumpkins

Randy Sample

Football 1, 2, 4; Wrestling 1, 2, 3; Powder Puff 1

Good luck to the Class of '96.

Shawn Gabriel Santanello

Football 1, 3, 4; C.O.P.E. Classic 3, 4; Powder Puff 4; Ziti Dinner 4; Spartanum 3, 4.

Mom: I can't believe this! Yesterday I was the new kid from Springfield with the long hair. Today I'm saying goodbye to some of the best people I've ever met. I'd like to thank everyone at ELHS for making my high school career the best years of my life. I guess I can blame most of that on my friends. And though some have faded in and out, I want to thank you for the memories you've given me. Hey Craig- We're gonna make it. Believe it with your heart and soul! "You have to forget about what other people say, when you're supposed to die, or when you're supposed to be loving. You have to forget about all these things and be crazy. Craziness is like heaven!" - Jim.

Lauren Marie Scagni

Cross Country 4; Soccer 1, 2, 3; Ski Team 3 (capt.) 4 (capt); Track 1, 2, 3, 4 (capt.); N.H.S. 3, 4; Yearbook 3, 4; Key Club 2, 3, 4; International Club 1; French Club 2, 3, 4 (sect.); C.O.P.E. 1; Powder Puff 2, 4; Spartanum 1, 2, 4; Ziti Dinner 4; Tutor 3, 4; C.O.P.E. Classic 2, 4; A.I.D.S. Action Committee 3, 4.

"Life can only be understood backwards; but must be lived forwards" -Soren Kierkegaard

Memories are the precious things in life and in our four years at ELHS are some of the most unforgettable. Friendships have taught me the importance in giving of ourselves. JULIE-you're the best friend anyone could ever have. Remember all the laughs and the good times we've had and thanks for putting up with me throughout the years. You're truly special, our friendship will last forever. JO- You've always kept a smile on Blondie's face. Never forget our soccer years. CHRISSY- Who? You're a sweetheart. Thanks for listening when we talk. Want to go to the Symphony? AIMEE- My crazy astronaut friend. Good luck to my math buddy. To the Class of '96 and all my other friends good luck, follow your dreams, I wish you the best in the future. Mom and Dad- you've helped me build the bridges that I've crossed and are helping me lay the bricks where I will walk. Words alone cannot express my appreciation for all your guidance, love, and support. Thanks for everything. I love you!

Thomas Scherpa

Football 1, 2, 3, 4; Ski Team 3, 4 (capt.); Track 1, 2, 3, 4 (capt.); National Honor Society 3, 4; As Schools Match Wits 4; Science League 4.

"Every decision becomes a destination, and today we face a choice that cannot wait." - Twila Paris

Stand for something, or you'll fall for anything. Thanks to all of my friends and family for making the last four years fun and exciting. Good luck, Class of '96!

Monica Allyson Shaird

Cheerleading 2; Spanish Club 3 (Pres.); Words Not Weapons 4; Project Lifework 4, C.O.P.E. 4; Ziti Dinner 4; Cope Classic 4; Spartanum 2, 4.

To my family: Thank you for supporting me. I love you so much! Robin: Hey girl, we made it! I know and you know that there were times when we thought that we wouldn't! I'll miss you, always keep in touch. To all the minority students: I'll miss all of you. Just remember to never forget who you are, never compromise yourself for anyone, and most of all keep your head up! To the Class of '96: We've waited a long time for this year to come, and now it's finally here. I'll miss all of you, just remember to keep in touch. Good luck in all you do. And remember, much respect to the Class of '96!

All my DREAMS pass before my eyes in curiosity.

Jonathon Shaw

Soccer 1, 2; Hockey 1, 2, 3, 4; Band 1, 2, 3, 4

I would like to thank all my friends for making high school so memorable. To my close friends Chuck, P.C., Bob, and my sister, for making my life so "interesting": Keep in touch!

Tina Sheikh

These four years in high school have been the hardest four years of my life, but then again the best four years of my life. I want to give a shout out to all my friends at MYNA, and a big hug and kiss to Tayyab, Tariq, and Tanya.

Craig Smith

Football 1; C.O.P.E. Classic 3, 4; Spartanum 4.

"You don't have to die to go to heaven or hang around to be born again. Just tune into what this place has got to offer, cause we may never be here again." - Van Halen

To all my friends: Good luck with whatever you do and keep in touch. Also thank you Mom for putting up with me these past four years.

Jenny Smith-Rushton

French Club 2, 3; Field Hockey 1, 2, 3; C.O.P.E. 2, 3, 4; C.O.P.E. Classic 3, 4; Spartanum 1, 4; Key Club 4; Project Lifework 4; Girls State 3.

"I always knew looking back on crying would make me laugh, but I never thought looking back on laughing would make me cry." Thanks to all of you who made me, you made these four years fly by. Ricky: Thanks for all the hugs when I needed them. Don't forget December '98. Heather: Scrunchies come and go, but true friends last forever. I think we've proven that. I don't think I could ever be mad at you (except for that front seat)! I'll miss you so much next year! Mom, Dad, and Jason: Thanks for always helping me reach my dreams.

Heather Katherine Spaulding

International Club 1; French Club 2, 3, 4; Spartan Spectator 2, 3; Lit. Mag. 2; Future Teachers 3; AIDS Education 3, 4; Softball 2; Band 1; Chorus 1, 2

"Tears on the sleeve of man; Don't wanna be a boy today; Heard the eternal footman; Bought himself a bike to race; And Greg he writes letters; And burns his CD's; They say you were something; In those formative years; Hold on to nothing, as fast as you can; Well . . . still . . . a pretty good year." - Tori Amos I'm a Libra, I don't make decisions! Bonjour Benny! Will you bring me home? B & B Forever! Amanda: If at first you don't succeed . . . Sarah: Thanksgiving 2008! Laura: Aardvark! Renee: Busywork? Never! Don't forget your "best friend"! We survived AP! Robear: What's the count, 13, 14? Little Josette: Make me proud! I don't want to have to beat you, Miss Sweet and Innocent (ha!). Joel: I'm out of Jolly Ranchers - What smell? Thanks to everyone who helped me through - I love you all & I'll never forget you! Best of luck!

Tom Speight

As Schools Match Wits 3, 4; Newspaper 3, 4

Don't give in and don't give up. If you have a problem, find it, fix it, and forget it (or fake your way through it!). If that doesn't work, find a good lawyer and sue someone. Life's not a big problem, it is a bunch of little problems. Be patient, work carefully, and tackle each problem individually. When it is solved move on to the next one. I don't know when to keep my mouth shut. I should probably learn.

Someday you'll find it, the rainbow connection,

Heather Bernadette St. Jock

"You and I will meet again when we're least expecting it. Somewhere in some far off place I will recognize your face. I won't say goodbye my friend, for you and I will meet again." - Tom Petty

To my parents, I thank you for the love that you have filled my life with and the support you give me to take me to my future. To Grandma Barbara, you are the best. To my big sister Steph, thanks for the four years of high school being known as "Steph's little sister" (but I love you anyway). To Jenny Penny, you are my best friend, and all I can say is that I love you and think of you like a sister. In a short time we will be far apart, but in some way I know we will always be in each others hearts. You will always be the cool Jenny Lee Smith-Russian who always eats her vegetables. To the Class of 1996, bub bye and good luck!

Heather Sterritt

"There's no place in hell for me and my friends. And when we go, we will all go, so you see I'm never alone. There is a place with a bit more life and a few more gentler words- and if I ever wanted to cry than I will cause I can." -Morrissey

To all the friends that I left behind in my senior year: I love you and no matter how rough life is and no matter how much you feel alone, always remember that the green bunny will be there for you. Have a nice trip and always remember to feel powder fresh.

Scott E. Stuckenbruck

Wrestling 1, 2, 3, 4; Track 1, 2, 4; Jazz Band 1, 2, 3, 4; Spartanum 1, 2, 3, 4.

To all my friends who made life bearable: Thanks a lot. Jay: You've always been there for me and never turned your back. You're the best friend anyone could have. Carrie: The name speaks for itself. Thanks for all you've done for me. To everyone in the "hood": You made this summer one of the best, and the next one should be better. Mark: Thanks for whipping me into shape. Brianna: I wouldn't know half the people I do if it wasn't for you. Mom and Dad: Thanks for EVERYTHING!!

Brian C. Sullivan

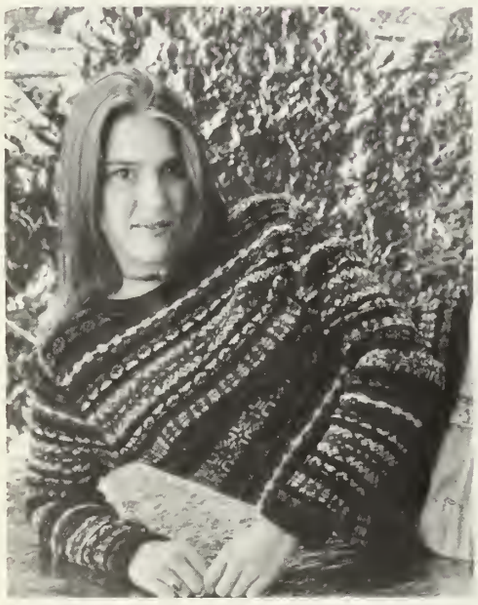
Basketball 1, 2, 3, 4 (Captain); Baseball 1, 2, 3, 4; Student Council 1, 2, 3, 4 (Treasurer); Key Club 1, 2, 3, 4; Spanish Club 1, 2, 3, 4; National Honor Society 4; C.O.P.E. Classic 3, 4; Ziti Dinner 4; Spartanum 4; Homeroom Rep. 4.

"Once in a while you get shone the light, in the strangest of places, if you look at it right. - Grateful Dead

To the Class of '96: May you find success and happiness in all of your endeavors. Best of luck in your future.

Andy Surprise

"I've got to go. I'm not one to complain, but you're driving me insane. It evens out every time, and you know it's time to make up your mind. I thought that maybe you'd have known. You let me in and showed me how." "She's going to shine, but had a bad time. Wasn't like anyone else, and never will be. She's just not that way, she doesn't put on a show for nobody. I won't let her sit alone! Why'd you make her feel so small that she just disappeared?" To my friends: "I'm as mystified as I am in it. I was falling a thousand miles an hour, swirling around."



Alicia Taylor

Track 1; Spartanum 4; Ziti Dinner 4

Jamer: Thank you for putting up with everything I've put you through. No matter where I go, your responsible best friend will love you forever. Chrissy: I don't want to see one more tear fall from your eyes. I'm your sapphire queen, you're my black beauty, or should I say my fuzzy little bear? Marisa: Dude, just remember we are the screws in this toolbox. Kari: You and Chrissy are window freaks. Red light means STOP. Give me your arm! Maggie: I know that you did it, how you did it, and who you did it with. Whoops, did I slip? Jen: I was running. I know Maine is in Western Mass, isn't it? When we're all separated; Remember when we're young; You shined like the sun; Shine on you "crazy" diamond. - Pink Floyd Mom, Dad, Damon, Uncle Mike, Sped, and Mazz: Thanks and I love you all.

What happens to a DREAM deferred?

Dina M. Trovato

Student Council 2, 3, 4 (President); Words not Weapons 3; COPE 1, 2, 3, 4; Office Aide 1; Spartanum 2, 3, 4 (Director); Powder Puff 2, 4; Tennis 1, 2; COPE Classic 1, 2, 3, 4; National Honor Society 4; Spanish Club 3; Ziti Dinner 4; Yearbook 4

Thank you to all the people who believed in me and gave me a chance. To all my friends: I love you all. Always believe in yourself and do the best you can in everything that you do. Jen, Lis, Kristin, Zakiyyah, Brant, and Dan: Thank you for always being there for me when I needed you and for making me laugh. To my family: Without you I have nothing. I love you. To my cousin Christina (my only sister and the only one I'd ever want): Thanks for everything. Good luck to the Class of '96!

Tara Trudeau

Good luck to the Class of '96.

Dana Jane Turpie

Field Hockey 1, 2, 3, 4 (co-capt.); Swimming 1, 2, 3, 4 (co-capt.); Tennis 1, 2; Key Club 1, 2, 3 (sect.), 4 (pres.); National Honor Society 3 (sect.), 4 (sect.); French Club 2, 3, 4; Close-up 3; Powder Puff 2, 4; Newspaper 2, 3 (feature ed.), 4 (graphics ed.); C.O.P.E. Classic 1, 2, 4; Ziti Dinner 4; Spartanum 1, 2, 3, 4.

Suffering is only temporary, just carry on.
Your rise uphill may no longer seem a struggle,
And your appetite for pain may all but be gone.
I hope for you and cannot stop that hoping,
Until that smile has once again turned the other face.
There's no such thing as a failure who keeps trying,
Coasting to the bottom is the only disgrace. - Blues Traveler

Benjamin A. Twyeffort

Band 1, 2, 3, 4; Chorus 1, 2, 3, 4; Jazz Band 1, 2, 3, 4; District Band & Chorus 1, 2, 3, 4; All State Band & Chorus 2, 3, 4; C.O.P.E. Classic 1, 4; Spartanum 1, 2, 3, 4; French Club 2, 3, 4.

"Gimme a hug!!" Sarah, Midge, Cutie, Amanda, Jessica, Dave, Jay (both of you): You're all wonderful. Don't ever change. And to all you chorus and hand geeks: Keep playing and singing forever. As for the rest of the Class of '96: You're all great! I couldn't think of any other class I'd rather be a part of.

Laura Vangsness

Field Hockey 3; Swimming 1, 2, 3; Track 3, 4 (Captain); C.O.P.E. 2, 3; Mock Trial 3, 4; Key Club 1, 2, 3, 4 (Secretary); Class Officer 4 (member at large); Yearbook 2, 3, 4 (Editor); Drama 2; Environmental Action Club 1, 2; Spanish Club 2, 3 (VP); Band 1; Spartanum 4; Ziti Dinner 4; Powder Puff 4; Project Lifework 3, 4; Hugh O'Brian 2; National Honor Society 3, 4.

Four interesting, complicating years that actually turned out pretty good! Courtney: Thanks for being such a great person and friend. Thanks for your chilly pool and the things we "ask first" for. Remember concerts, one scoop at Denny's, drives into adjacent towns for no reason, and hidden Nutri-Grain bars. Corrie: Pink hair isn't for me, but I'll take arcade tickets and late trolleys! Sarah: Thanks for the B.C. connections. We are the originals! Joelle: Thanks for your support through all those years. Good luck you guys! Enjoy yourselves and laugh a little! "To do a great right, do a little wrong!" -Shakespeare "Live your life as an exclamation, not an explanation." -H. Jackson Brown

Thomas Elias Velonis

Soccer 1, 2, 3, 4; Basketball 1, 2, 3, 4; Baseball 1, 2, 3, 4; Newspaper 2, 3 (Sports Ed.), 4 (Sports Ed.); National Honor Society 3, 4 (Treas.); Spanish Club 1, 2; HR Rep. 4; Powder Puff 2, 4; Ziti Dinner 4; Model Congress 4; Boy's State 3; Spartanum 4; C.O.P.E. Classic 2, 3, 4; Project Lifework 4.

We've traveled many miles and only time will tell what awaits us. This is our year. No one can be asked to remember all the faces, but remember the experience of ELHS. Maui, Chevy, Heather, KEL, Mo, and Karen Lee (Nice "c"), I'll never forget ya.

Its funny how your feet and DREAMS never touch the Earth.

Brenda Vlahotis

Track 1; Ziti Dinner 4; Environmental Action 4, C.O.P.E. Classic 2.

To my class: You were all a fun bunch to grow up with. Good luck to everyone in the future. Little Miss Nikki Bootie: I've had so many close friends, but you were the closest. Let's keep it that way. Jamie Faye: Same goes for you! I've known you for at least eleven years. I'll make sure we keep in touch, fatso! Kelly: We all miss you very much. Chrissy: Have a great senior year! To Dukie and Dad: You've given me so much, including all the discipline. I love you both for it. Thanks! I love you Doy Doy. You're the one who made me the happiest during my last year at ELHS.

Seth Wheeler

It's been an unforgettable four years of my life, kind of crazy but really fun. The times we've had together will always be remembered, (except for Bogardus). I appreciate everything that everyone has done for me. Susan you're the best!! Finally, Dad, thanks so much for all the help you've given me throughout my teenage years.

Jim Williams

Good luck in the years to come to all my friends.

Someday my someone will wake me and all my cabbage patch DREAMS will come true.

Stephanie Wise

The time has come, senior year. So many memories that we have captured through the best years of our lives. Manda- My best friend. You've been there for me and I know I'll always be able to count on you. We've had exciting and adventurous trips to Florida; Sky Bus- Hey we made it! Parasailing- Definitely next time! Pier 66- Swimming! Snorkeling- Moon jelly fish! and Maine; bonfires and boat rides are the best! Paddleboats, no it's not moving! Sara, Laura, and Sarah- Crazy driving! I'll take your advice and wear my seat belt! Megan- Fourth grade, Mt. View- Couldn't really have been nine years ago?! Thanks Mom, Dad, Billy, and all my friends who have helped me through everything, and for the best high school years ever! Good Luck to the Class of '96!

Neal E. Young

Soccer 1, 2, 3, 4; Basketball 1, 2; Tennis 2, 3, 4.

Good Luck to the Class of '96. I'll miss you all. Thanks to my Mom, Dad, and sisters.

Robyn Michelle Young

Band 1, 2, 3, 4; Chorus 1, 2, 3, 4; C.O.P.E. Classic 3, 4; Drama 3, 4; Environmental Action Club 1, 2, 4; Science League 3, 4; Ziti Dinner 4.

I never thought I'd make it this far, especially without all my friends. Moss- don't ever change. Relax! Ben- Midge is all grown up. Oboes rule! Dave- you're always there when I need you, and the banana jokes are old! Jay(Bruce)- I can't believe we've grown up together, you're a sweetie. Look, the Bat Signal! Jason- You still are, but guess what, so am I! Laurie- Keep smiling hun. Good luck in all you do. Cutie- My savior, you're always there when I need you. We did it, even without Bud. Mandy- Jiffy Lube! "It was good . . . ." Bunghole is a real word and tell Jay "You find that man!" I can always talk to you, and you'd be there to listen. I love you Cheri and Klaude. To the Class of '96- best of luck. See you in a few years.

In DREAMS begins responsibility.

Shooting star!

. . . And last, but not least,

she's been bringing up the rear of the Class of '96 for twelve years,

Laura Znoj!

Happy campers!

Laura Francis Znoj

Basketball 1, 2, 3, 4; Softball 1, 2; Internat'l Club 1; Yearbook 2, 3, 4; C.O.P.E. Classic 3; Powder Puff 2, 4; Spartanum 3, 4; Ziti Dinner 4; Project Lifework 4; Office Aide 3, 4; Homeroom Rep. 4.

"Because the good days, those good old days, are dead and gone, Good-bye and bless them all, everyone. What was true has passed the test. Just as well forget the rest. Half of what you saw was not yours to know, let it go." -Grateful Dead. We've finally made it, senior year! Sara, my best friend since eighth grade: I'll never think of ELHS without thinking of you. Remember freshman summer, walks to football games, Kyle's house, and the windjammer. Moses: What will you do next year? We've been through so much together; the trees on Tanglewood, "The Wall", our beach drive with Meg. Watch out for dumpsters. Manda: Rocky's Ace is the place (can't forget Buffy). Steph: Always wear your seatbelt. Good luck to you all and thanks for the memories.

Haste makes paste.

Laura and the Senior Girls enter Wayne's World.

It attacked without warning ...
it came from the suburbs...

SENIORITIS!

You find yourself asleep in class,

or gazing at the wall.

The thought of getting out of school attacks you in the hall.

You calculate your absences.

How close are you to the max?

How many more days to sit and gaze before you can relax?

There's a party tonight, a test tomorrow.

What is your decision?

Screw the test and party on!

Who cares about nuclear fission?

You think back to the last time you did an assignment.

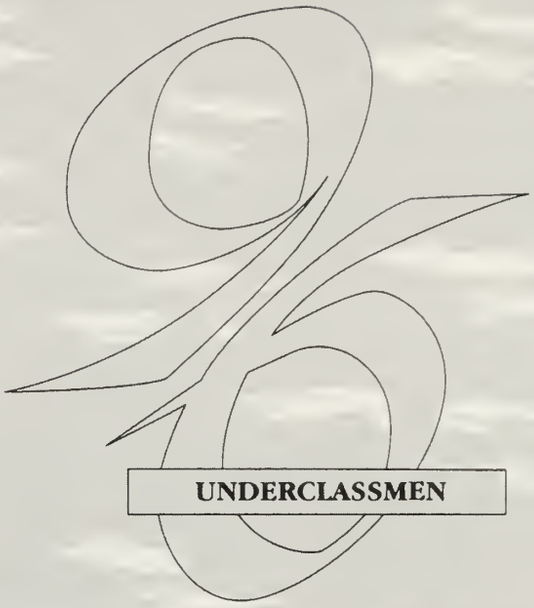
You remember - it was snowing.

You look ahead to finals - dread!

How slow these days are going!

Nothing happens . . .

unless first a DREAM.



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A boy's will is the wind's will and the thoughts of youth are long, long thoughts.

Margaret Abair
Patricia Algozino
Kyle Anderson
Jeffrey Ashline
Melanie Bachand
Jason Bagge
Michelle Bagge
Lauren Bandoski
Lucas Baran

Joseph Barkson
Jill Barrepski
Michael Basile
Sean Bechard
Edward Bednarz
Matthew
Bergeron
Amy Bertrand
David Bianchine
Sasha Bisson

Phalan Bolden
William Borowiec
Diane Bourbeau
Shara Brady
Joseph Brassard
Michael Breton
Amy Brown
Jayme Brown
Jessica Bruso

Gregory Burack
Jeffrey Burack
Brandan Burke
Daniel Burke
Jared Burns
Brian Butler
Sarah Cabot
Jason Cabral
Chris Calcasola

Pressure Cooker! Julie endures a closer look.

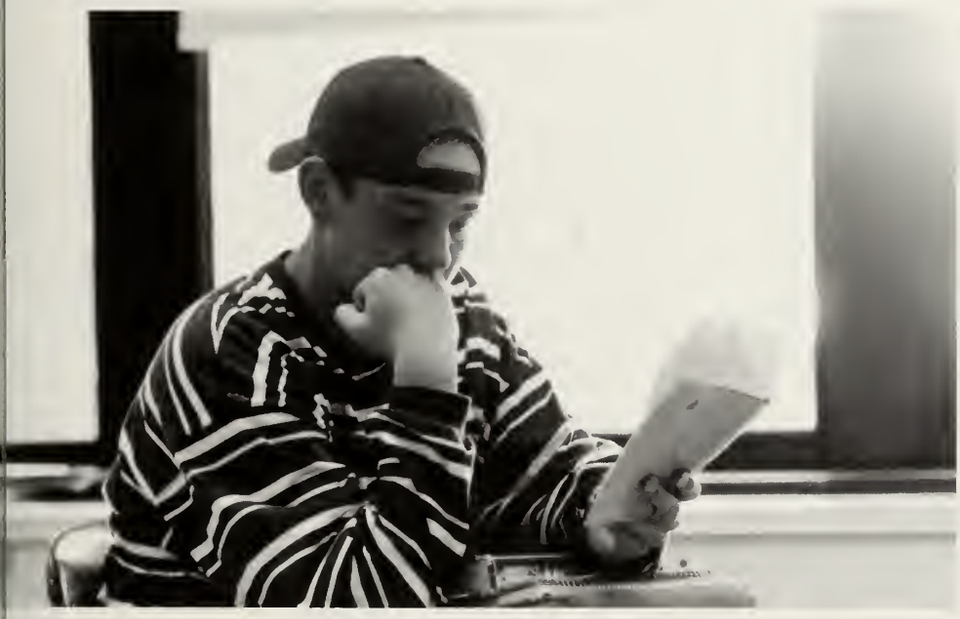
Countdown to ecstasy? Alex LaPolice left Spartanum audiences green with envy.

Enchanted April?

Stranded in the gene pool - DNA researchers work late into the afternoon.

The Young and the Rested - Jamie and the frosh field hockey team finished off Northfield-Mt. Herman.

Brendan masters the cast system.



First baseman in the rye? Ben Deane catches up with a good book.

"... and a chicken cacciatore in every pot!" Carla promises prosperity on her way to the Vice-Presidency.

Jennifer Carabetta
Carla Cardaropoli
Joshua Carpluk
Daniel Carriere
Jason Catarino
Deepa Chander
Dara Chatman
Eric Cheung

Matthew Christensen
Stephen Christy
Ryan Conners
Nicole Contois
Andrea Corbett
James Cormier
Joseph Costa
Kristin Coughlan

Marci Croze
Anthony Danos
Celine Davis
Kathryn Day
Jessica DeAngelo
Jason Dean
Benjamin Deane
Johannes DeVries

Brett Dillon
Spencer Doe
Kerry Doyle
Brendan Duprey
April Dusza
Jason Dynak
Joseph Eagan
Jill Earnshaw

Ivory traders? Eliana and Marci-Darci take turns at the keyboard.

Next time on a very special "Sherlock", Dave Bianchine gets into the 7% Bubble Sout

Heads up! The soccer cartel gains a toe-hold on Anthony Verdile.

Two cute for words - Jackie and Kristin were all smiles at the soccer banquet.

Kristin Edgett
Adam Edwards
Jennifer Elkas
David Ennaco
Tracy Ernst
Eliana Fiore
Nicole Focosi
Stephen Fogarty

Kevin Ford
Erica Forni
Kathleen Foy
Todd Fratar
Kristy Frisino
Vanessa Fuda
Lauren Garlett
Danielle Giella

Carmella Gioiella
Joy Girouard
Robert Gladden
Michelle Glica
Michael Godett
Robert Gomez
Evan Goodchild
April Goodwin

Christine Granado
Keith Halon
Deborah Harris
Jeffrey Hart
Kara Hellyer
Matthew Henry
Nathan Hicks
Brian Houser

Living on the edge

tates Life, or is it geometry? Nate Lewis is a study in tration.

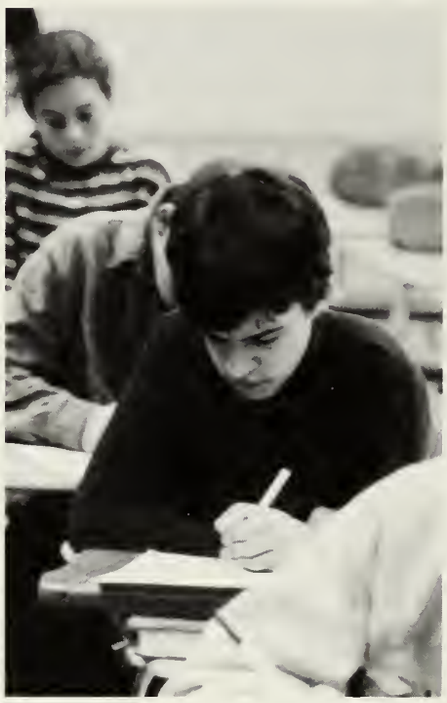
"The only man who could ever reach me was the son of a preacher man."

Flower children united at the Crop Walk.

Kimberly Huckins
Brendan Humphries
Richard Hutchinson
Justin Illig
Gina Isham
Benjamin Jackson
Maggie Jaroszewicz
Joseph John III
Jessica Joubert
Laura Kennedy
Tiia Kienitz
Joan Knihnicki
Justin LaBroad
Michelle Lai
Alex LaPolice
Gina Larocca
Sara Laushway
Terrence Leahy
Shannon Leger
Kathleen Lelas
Kevin Lennon
Edgardo Leon
Nathan Lewis
Michelina Liquori
Patrick Long
Anthony Longo
Michelle Lortie
Ashleigh Lungi
Michael Lupi
Elizabeth Maia
Carmela Manzi
Maria Manzi
Jason Marchant
Melissa Mascaro
William Matchett
Matthew Maurer

Joseph Mazzi
Edward McCandlish
Maura McCarthy
Shaun McCauley
Marlena McCoy
Jonnel McIntosh
Cristian McNabb
Carrie McQuillan
Matthew Milley
Antonio Montefusco
Julie Moran
Michael Nadle
Eric Naglieri
Julia Nelligan
Sara Nielsen
David Nimmo
Julie Niznik
Eric Norman
Natalie Oliveri
Elizabeth Ollsen
Danielle Parent
Matthew Perella
Kimberly Perkins
Wayne Perry
Matthew Pickering
Joseph Picknally
Nicole Piponidis
Jason Pixley
Stephanie Poole
Shelby Punderson
Sarah Rae
Erik Reed
Lynda Reeves
Jason Robertson
Matthew Rolfe
Ericka Rugani

By the year 2000 "staring blankly into space" will replace baseball as the National Passtime.



"Dear Diary, the person who invented right-handed desks must die . . . "

Trapped again! Diane settles the ball during a freshmen soccer game.

A Freshmen/Senior Study? Sorry guys, but you'll have to wait your turn.

Fools! I'll show them all!!

Freshmen do the micro wave!

"Maybe one day Julia won't think of me as just another kid in a tie-dye . . . ."

In the Mood - Justin comes to grips with an Earth Science assignment.

Christopher Ruscio
Benjamin Ryan
Lisa Ryan
Melanie Samay
Julie Santaniello
Linda Santaniello
Karlyn Schnare
Jaclyn Scully

Ryan Shaw
Stanley Shaw
Kevin Shikoluk
David Skowron
Eric Smith
Lyndsy Smith
Michael Speight
Steven Stabile

Laurel Stewart
Maria Sticco
Alexandra Stone
Matthew Stula
David Suchciki
Michael Sutton
Sarah Tarczynski
Desire Thorpe

Katherine Tougas
Robert Trempe
Courtney Tyrell
Anthony Verdile
Anne Wagner
Jennifer Weaver
Jennifer Webber
Brandie White

Steph shows us all how to "Jungle Boogie" on down!

Seldom scene - Amy without her best friend Zyta.

Who does their hair?

Show him the card!!

Kelly White
Jeffrey Wicks
Eric Witowski
Christopher Wood
Tara Wright
Jaime Young
Jonathan Zanetti
Michael Zayas

Karla Znoj
Nathan Arnold
Eric Brodalski
Stephanie Bruce
Gregory Bushy
Tammie Drelonowski
Brian Fierberg
Tasha Medish

Jamie Moran
Kristal Papollo
Peter Richards
Mohshim Siddiqui
Thomas Ackerley
Lisa Adams
Jessica Alexander
Jade Alicandro

Robert Andersen
Joshua Anderson
Meghan Anderson
Sarah Andrew
Carolyn Avezzie
Giovanni Basile
Stephanie Belden
Anthony Bellucci

I am sixteen, reading my Seventeen.

moment on the lips, a lifetime on the hips.

Mmm-mmm! Nothing like the sweet smell of dirty gym clothes to get you going in the morning.

Lighten the load - Everyone without feathers, over the side.

Terri Bennet
Fred Berard
Giovanni Berardi
Michelle Bergeron
Michael Bernazki
Justin Biccum
Katharine Blais
Ericka Booth
Jessica Boucher
Megan Boyer
Glen Brasile
Meghan Briggs
Sean Butler
Suellen Butler
Heather Byrne
Christine Camerota
Justin Carabetta
Kristin Carabine
Vincent Carannante
Pam Cargill
Kevin Cauley
Alicia Cavanaugh
Tanya Celetti
Christina Chimi
Chi Lon Chu
Katie Coburn
Michael Collins
Monica Connor
Katie Coolidge
John Coppolo
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Meredith Cote
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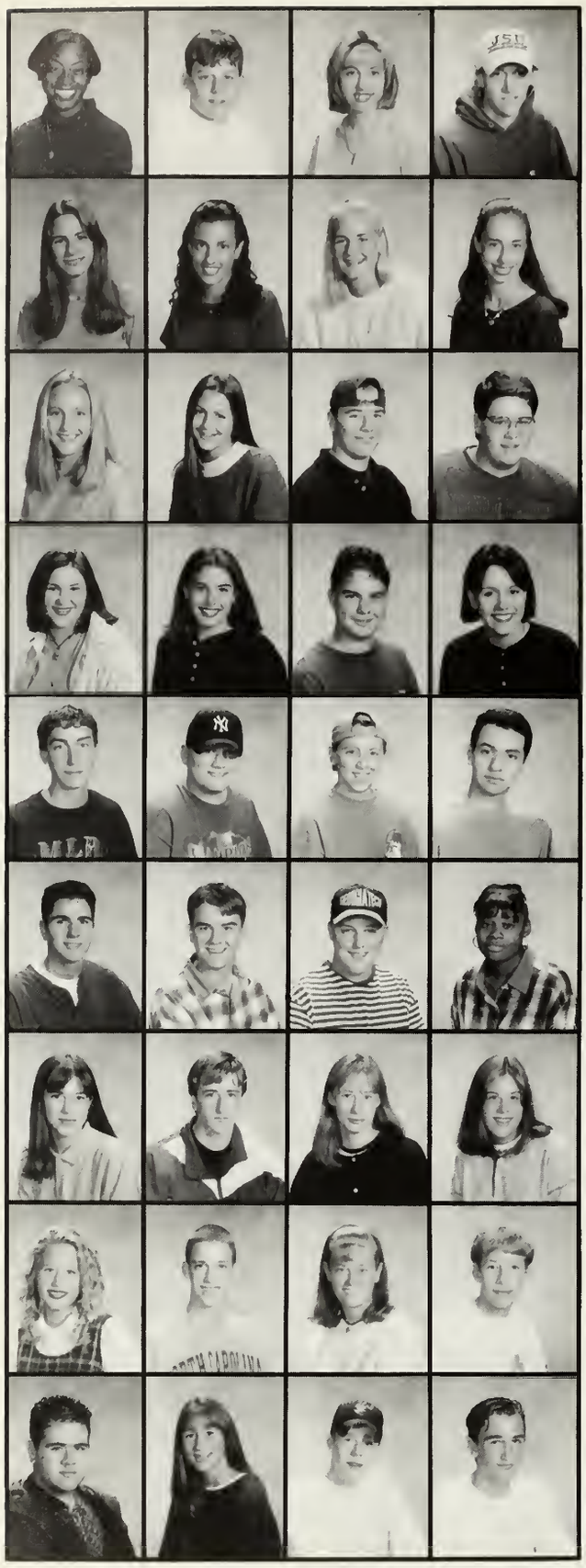
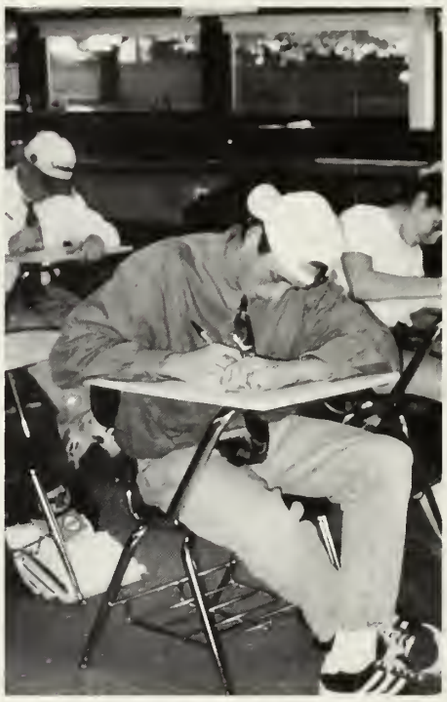
Richard Craven
Anthony Cross
Joshua Crossman



Ariana Curtis
Desirae Dalessio
Kimberly D'Ambrosio
Nicole Dean
Matthew Decesare
Angelo Deguglielmo
Lori Delnickas
Lara Demoracski
Lazzaro DeSantis
Christopher DiClementi
Laura DiMichele
Jill DiRico
Maria Disa
Fredrick Doersam
Lee Donavan
Charles Doucette
Sean Doyle
Noreen Drenthe
Traci Dubish
Megan Eddy
Joseph Evans
Martin Fagone
William Ferrero
Peter Gagnon
Natasha Gamsby
Katherine Garvey
Daniel Gelinas
Sean Gilligan
Leah Glashow
Thomas Golemba
Kendall Gonsalves
Joshua Goodchild
Eboni Goodman
Kathleen Goodwin
Jason Goransson
Thomas Gour

Brace yourselves! Tony goes one-handed after a spill on the info superhighway.



Boyle this, Mr. Avogadro!

Open door policy? Nyssa prepares for the great leap forward.

Jill and Mariel held their own as two newcomers on the varsity soccer team.

Caught in the act of cheating! It's a good thing our cameras were there

A new study shows that for better overall learning, the lotus position must be assumed.

Omigod!

Breaking up is hard to do, but Jason managed it somehow.

Kristen Guyer
Kelly Grzebien
Melissa Hamilton
Kyle Harrington
Sarah Harrison
Jessica Hartnett
Jill Hassin
Patrick Hawley

Joel Hawn
Amie Hedges
Nicole Hersey
Kelly Hill
Torrey Hodges
Joseph Hutchinson
Laura Jurkowski
Patrick Kearney

Kimberly Kelley
Mike Kimball
Kyle Kramek
Renita Kynard
Andrew Kyte
Joshua LaChapelle
Nicole LaPolice
Erin Lavelle

Jessica Leger
Charles Lelas
Christina Lemke
Carmela Leone
Nicole Levesque
Erik Lewis
Thomas Lloyd
Matthew Long

Fromage!

Courting success - Brian brings the ball up court.

Quiet time.

Brianna enjoys ELHS's superior sound system.

Megan experiences her own two hour delay

Brian Luchini
Andrew Makara
Lisa Maloni
John Manning
Rich Manning
Jesse Martin
Laura Maruca
Thomas Maruca

Danny Mastroianni
Andrew Mathison
Jonathan Matthew
Desiree Matulewicz
Lynn McCormick
Kevin McGunnigle
Colleen Milbier
Sean Miner

Kimberly Morin
Stephanie Normand
Elizabeth O'Neill
Jason Pelzek
Scott Pevay
Jonathan Pieciul
Andre Pilon
Meghan Pollack

Alfredo Porfilio
William Provost
Lucia Rapisarda
Antonella Raschilla
Patrick Roberts
Timothy Robertson
Steve Robinson
Austin Rodrigues

d over! Jon escaped the Flow-bie but couldn't dodge pperware.

Pam mugs for the camera.

Backfield in motion! Check out Kate's good side.

Goofball in the corner pocket! Ariana learns the color of money at a soccer party.

David Rusiecki
Kate Russin
Jessica Ryan
Lori Santaniello
Kathryn Savaria
Kari Scavatto
Nyssa Schloyer
Paul Schunk
Melinda Shaw
Stephen Simolari
Lynn Simonds
Julianne Socha
Carrie Starnes
Amy Stebbins
Monique Stevens
Erica Stoddard
Brianna Stuckenbruck
Michael Stula
Karen Sullivan
Zyta Szczepanski
Amy Tanguay
Steve Tempkin
Melissa Terrell
Katherine Thomas
Erik Tondera
Tony Trovato
Mike True
Anna Truoiolo
Brian Twyeffort
Jason Upton
Cody Villamaino
Mariel Vinci
Andrea Waite
Erin Waite
Eric Walker
John Ward-Horner

Jason Williams
Cherylanda Wasnuk
Mary Lynn Williams
Amy Wilson
Caroline Young
Nicholas Zanetti
Sarah Zundell
Thomas Dean, Jr.
Lauren Albert

Tabitha Ames
Jason Arasate
Jeff Atwater
Sara Auerswald
Lynn Avezzie
Richard Baker
Emily Bareiss
Greg Bean
Paul Beaulieu

David Bednarz
Kyle Berard
Noah Berger
Jeff Bianchine
Meg Bianco
Sue Black
Kate Boggis
Lynn Borowiec
Dave Bourbeau

Darnell Boyd, Jr.
Dan Brassard
Tom Brennan
Michelle Brown
Jay Burke
Brendan Butler
Heather Campbell
Maggie Campbell
Anna Cardaropoli

Sometimes you need a little Van de Graaff generator, sometimes you need a lot!

"C" is for cookie, that's good enough for me.

"Dear Alyssa- I hope the gloves fit, I only wore them once. -OJ"

Either this patient is dead, or my watch has stopped.

Don't tell Dr. Waring, but the Jr. Class officers are now being paid under the table.

All aboard the Drama Club Express, with your captain, Joe Fogarty!

the shark bites, with his teeth, dear, and he keeps them y white . . . ."

Young love at the Junior Semi-Formal

Schlaf Gut!! Kirsten catches twenty winks after five weeks on a boat bound from the Old Country.

Maria Cardaropoli
Gregory Carriere
Cori Cassidy
Asha Chander
Santina Chiusano
Thomas Christensen
Mikaela Christy
Daniel Cimini

Nicole Ciocca
Sarah Cloutier
Christopher Conway
Meghan Coughlin
Michelle Croze
Tiffany Cunningham
Tammy DelNegro
Nora Dillon

Bryan Doe
Ryan Donovan
Michael Drexler
Anthony Drummond
Sara Dube
Jeffrey Duprey
Melissa Dusza
Melissa Eddy

Kristen Edgett
Sean Edwards
Korinne Esposito
Michael Evitts
Jennifer Falk
Steve Fazio
Melanie Ferris
Katherin Fitzgerald

Junior Class officers: Ms. Angelica (Advisor), Sam Jaskievic, Lindsay Sawyer, Kirsten Metzger, Karen Shaw, Ms. Daly (Advisor), Kris Young.

Two's company, but seventeen's a crowd.

"Show me happy, show me the magic . . . C'mon girls, work with me!"

"Three little maids from school are we, trying our hand at forgery. Three little maids from sch . . . ."

Joseph Fogarty
Eric Foisy
John Follit
Heather Forni
Andrea Gagnon
Peter Gallagher
Alfonso Gioiella
Jeremy Gold

James Goodwin
Matthew Gour
Timothy Haaga
Tai Hammarlof
Jeffrey Hannigan
Timothy Hassett
Joshua Hastings
James Hardy-Martin III

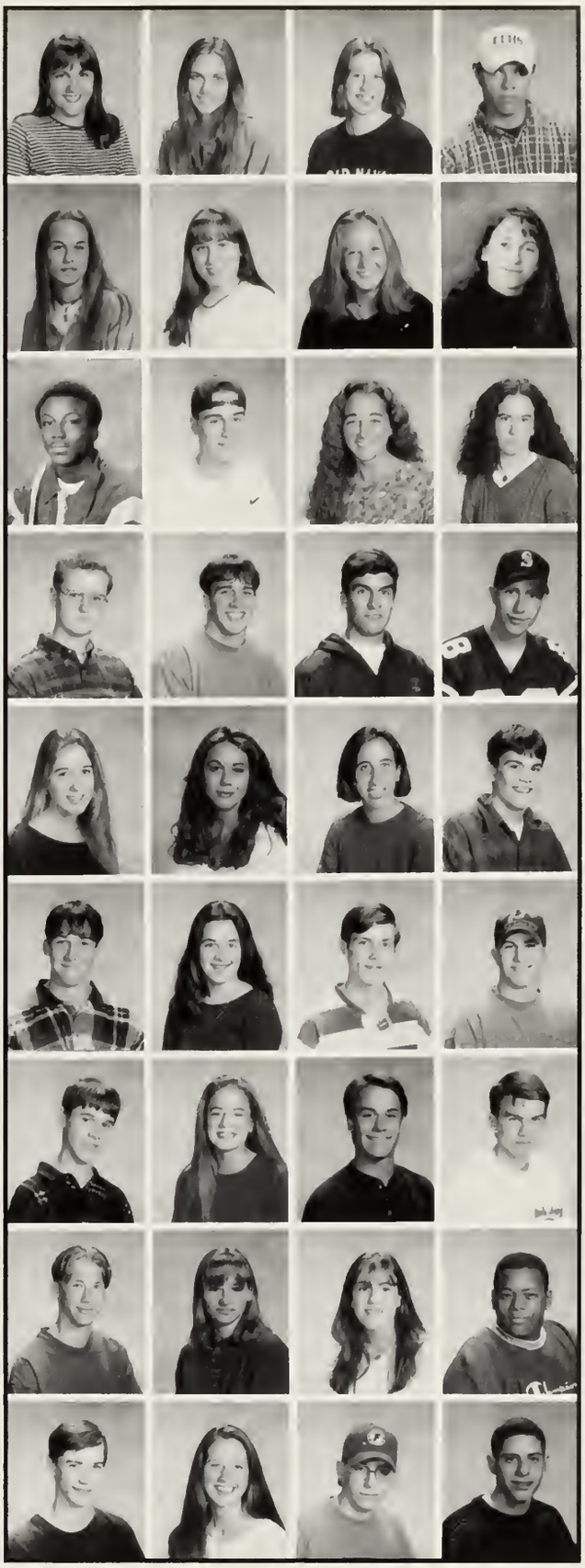
Kelly Hayes
Laura Henry
Jennie Hill
Andrea Hubbard
Samantha Jaskievic
Michael Jester
Eric Johnson
Lea Johnson

Margaret Kubera
Beth LaBrie
Karalee Lacey
Jessica Lamana
Brent Lang
Nicole Larder
Bethany Leete
Anthony Levesque

Another soccer sleepover?

"See, if a tree falls in a forest and nobody's there to hear, it DOES make a sound."

Who knew Michelle's trip to Florida would be better the twelfth time around?



Amanda Liucci
Christine Loesch
Domar Long
Kurt Ludwig
Alyssa Lunghi
Jeffery MacKechnie
Matthew MacKechnie
Joseph Maggi
Daniel Manley
Taryn Markham
Melissa Mars
Christopher Martin
Michael Maruca, Jr.
Marisa Maruca
Kristi McLeod
Christine McKenna
Kristen Melbourne
Krista Melien
Christine Menard
Jessica Metoxen
Kirsten Metzger
Gregory Metzidakis
Katie Miller
Peter Miller
Scott Monson
Sarah Moses
Barret Musselman
Wayne Normand
Martha O'Brien
Kerry O'Connor
William Olejarz
Adam Oliveri
Michael Ouellette
Michael Pappelardo
Michael Parker
Michael Perella

Gregory Phaneuf
Stephanie Pierzchala
Amanda Potter
Robert Pratt
Jessica Rae
Stephen Readout
Peter Richards
Vanessa Rindone
Andrea Robbins
Christina Roberts
Zachary Rohlfs
Christine Romanko
Kiley Rothweiler
Brie Ryan
Lindsay Sawyer
Vincent Scordino
Ryan Scully
Karen Shaw
Megan Shaw
Stephen Silansky
Brienne Smith
David Smith
Michael Smith
Ryan Smith
Kari Speight
Christopher Spring
David Steele
Corinne Stevens
Asia Stewart
Danielle Suchcicki
Kristy Sullivan
Lisa Sweeney
Susan Swords
Jennifer Talbot
Christopher Themistos
Jessica Thomas

Grin and bear it. Varsity starters serve up their own helping of cheese at the soccer banquet.

Peace, man!

Halfway up the stairs is the stair where I sit.

Lip balm anyone?

Wait, this is my locker, right?

Check please!

Would you buy a used car from faces like these?

Katie Thompson
Rebecca Tougas
Antonio Truoiolo

Gina Urbini
Nicole Verteramo
Bonnie Waite

Nicholas Yacovone
William Yorns, Jr.
Kristopher Young

John Zilch, Jr.
Christine Camerota
Carla Cardaropoli

Rosa Guzman
Marie Manley
Ryan Martin

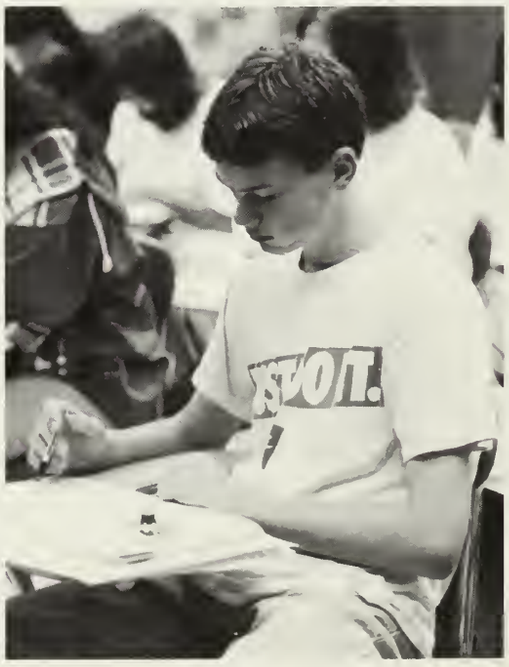
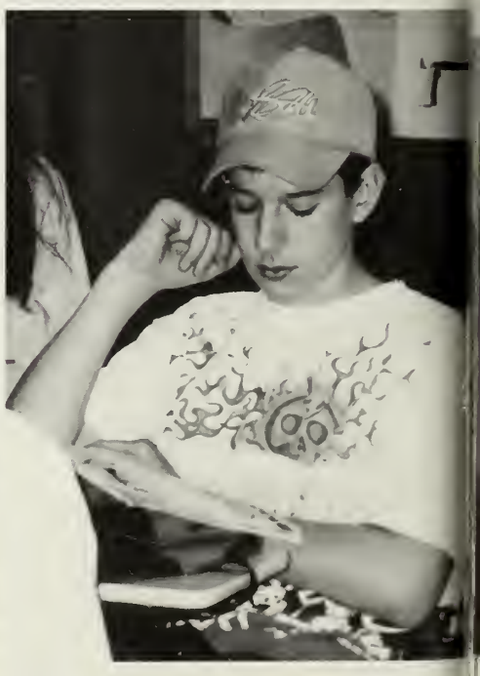
Shawn Ross
Melissa Rosso
David Therian

Gee, Mom, can I keep him?

Seven Brides for Seven Brothers.

The Lord is my shepherd; I shall not flunk. He keepeth me from lying down when I should be studying.

He leadeth me beside the water cooler for a study break. He restores my faith in study guides.

He leads me to better study habits for my grades' sake.

Yea, though I walk through the valley of borderline grades . . .

I will not have a nervous breakdown. For thou art with me.

My papers and my friends will comfort me.

Thou givest me the answers in moments of bleakness . . .

Thou anointest my head with understanding.

My test paper runneth over with answers I recognize.

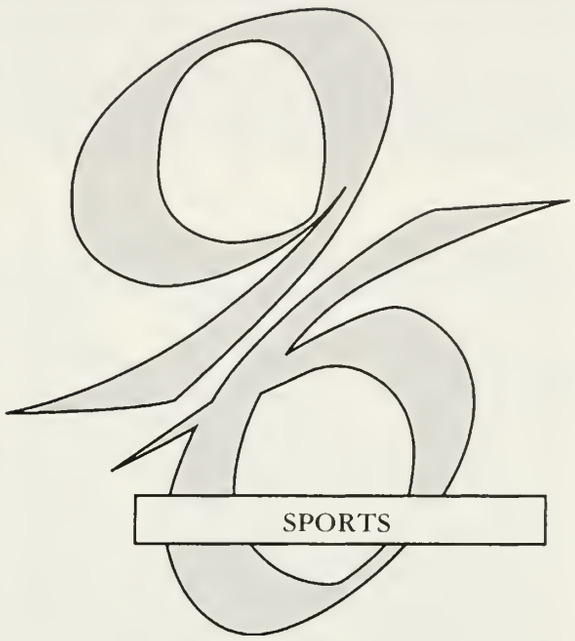
Surely passing grades and flying colors . . .

shall follow me, all the days of examination.

And I shall not have to dwell in this high school forever!

Field Of

DREAMS



NINETEEN
HUNDRED
NINETY • SIX

What's black, white, red and gray all over? News of the latest Spartan triumphs on the playing fields of Western Mass.

"So I drove my chevy to the levee . . ." Jeff Ford recounts the highlights of his evening.

A number one fan for a number one team.

FOOTBALL

Mark Kelley looks on as Coach Modj. lays out the plan of attack.

Front row: C. Dimetres, B. Kelley, J. Ford, D. Maurer, J. Niznik, T. Scherpa, R. Benoit. Second row: M. Kelley K. Berard, K. Paquette, M. Maruca, R. Baker, S. Santanello, P. Gallagher. Third row: T.J. Dean, S. Silansky, D Boyd, J. Dupre, M. DeCesare, S. Erickson. Fourth row: M. Stula, J. Hutchinson, P. Hawley, A. Trovato, C DiClementi, C. Doucette, M. Nannen. Fifth row: M. Costa, C. Villamaino, S. Simolari, R. Craven, J. Upton, T Golemba, S. Temkin, G. Milano.

Three yards and a cloud of dust. Rick Baker guts one out against Palmer.

Bend and stretch! Gabby puts on his game face.

first time in nine years the Lancers fell to the Spartans in the Thanksgiving Day game.

CHARGE!

d in motion. Mike Maruca was a key member of the Spartan attack.

Gatorade is thirst aid for senior Brant Kelley.

Any champion will tell you that it's easy to win a title but difficult to defend one. This was the obstacle faced by the Spartans after finishing last year's season as Intercounty Champs. As the '96 season went on, the team piled up victory after victory and stood undefeated in league play entering the Ware game. In a 21-13 thriller we dispatched the Indians and advanced to the Superbowl. A 36-20 demolition of archrival Longmeadow preceded the big game, but unfortunately we came up short against St. Joe's. The team's seniors, D. Maurer (QB), R. Benoit (TE), C. Dimetres (TE), J. Ford (DB), J. Niznik (T), R. Sample (G, LB), and S. Santinello (G) all made big contributions to the team's success during the campaign. Whether through leadership or making a big play, everyone did his part. Key returners next season include: R. Baker, M. Maruca, K. Paquette, K. Berard, W. Norman, and J. Hutchinson.

	Opp	EL
South Hadley	20	15
Mahar	13	29
Frontier	0	7
Mohawk Trail	27	34
Turners Falls	6	33
Palmer	6	13
Athol	0	23
Ware	13	21
Ludlow	27	35
Longmeadow	20	36
Superbowl		
St. Joseph's	22	7

Turn me loose!

What was that play again?

Heads up! Dan Maurer's superb play earned him all WMass honors.

Coming through! - Meg "Psycho" Bianco was a force at halfback.

All-League center-half Brienne Smith helped seal our shutout of Central.

GIRLS' SOCCER

Who says soccer is all work and no play?

3rd (l-r): Coach Harvey, Santina Chiusano, Kate Boggis, Mariel Vinci, Kate Goodwin, Julie Socha, Ariana Curtis, Coach Gonsalves. 2nd (l-r): Noreen Drenthe, Steph Normand, Lindsay Sawyer, Meg Bianco, Jill DiRico. Front (l-r): Anna Truoiolo, Erin Long, Brienne Smith, Johari Curtis, Jennie Hill, and Jessica Metoxen.

Four year varsity fullback and captain Johari Curtis will be hard to replace.

One more sprint!

Hi Mom!

Coach Harvey pumps up the girls during halftime.

League selection Lindsay Sawyer had another fantastic year in goal.

Do a little dance, play a little soccer, and win tonight!

"No let down" was this years' soccer team's motto and it proved true time and again. After a slow start in their first five games the Spartans turned their season around beginning with an uplifting 2-1 victory over Agawam. Captains Johari Curtis and Brienne Smith led the team on a 5-0 run and over the .500 mark. Victories over Longmeadow, Holyoke, and Central soon followed, largely due to the efforts of Kate Boggis, Kate Goodwin, and goalkeeper Lindsay Sawyer. On the offensive side Jess Metoxen and Noreen Drenthe created many scoring opportunities.

The Spartans finished the year at 10-7-1 and advanced to the Western Mass playoffs. Beating South Hadley 4-0 meant a return match with #1 ranked West Side. After a scoreless first half, the Terriers tallied early in the second stanza and went on to become Western Mass. Champs. Next year should prove to be a banner campaign with the return of seasoned veteran captains Kate Boggis, Jennie Hill, Brienne Smith, and Lindsay Sawyer. A special thanks to Coach Harvey and Coach Gonsalves for their continued support and effort.

	Opp.	EL		Opp.	EL
Minnechaug	3	0	West Side	4	0
N. Hamp	0	2	Holyoke	0	2
Ludlow	1	0	Central	0	1
Cathedral	2	0	Westfield	2	1
Chicopee	2	1	Minnechaug	0	3
Agawam	1	2	Palmer	0	4
Westfield	1	1	WMASS Div. 1.		
Central	0	1	Tournament		
Comp.	3	0	S. Hadley	0	4
Longmeadow	1	2	West Side	1	0

Gonsalves helped lead the team to a surprising ent visit.

This year's team was stylin' on and off the field.

Suck it up! Next year's captain Jennie Hill takes a well deserved water break.

Senior Captain James Redmond puts on a clinic. This is how the game is played!

Staffan Kallback played on championship teams in Sweden before heading to America

BOYS' SOCCER

Pat Hellyer takes a lickin' and keeps on tickin'.

John Matthews, Chris Conway, Matt Gour, Pat Hellyer, Anthony Scordino, Neal Young, James Redmond, Ry Smith, John Follit, Terrence Leahy. Coach Sarafino, Paul Ottoson, Andrew Balog, Staffan Kallback, Mike Smi Cristiano Hugantobler, Tom Velonis, Dave Steele, Tom Christensen, Jeff MacKechnie, Vinny Carranante.

The Not Ready For Prime Time Players, Where's Christensen?

What do you mean I have to guard that guy?

etting a leg up on the competition - Matt Gour was a force at midfield all season.

The Amazing, New and Improved Levitating Soccer Ball!

ass James Redmond was the leading scorer for the Spartans and ear member of the varsity team.

Why are all the fans leaving?

The varsity boys' soccer team achieved their goal of returning to the WMASS tournament in '95 through hard work and dedicaiion. Their 8-6 league mark included two tough losses to the eventual champions from Southwick.

Seniors James Redmond and Cristiano Hugentobler, and junior Mike Smith led the Spartan scoring attack, while Staffan Kallbach, Terrence Leahy, and goaltender Bill Yorns combined to record three shutouts en route to the WMASS finals.

In the first round of the playoffs EL upset the previously undefeated Commerce Red Raiders, booting them from the tournament by a score of 2-0.

In the semifinal round the Spartans found themselves pitted against last year's quarterfinal nemesis, Waconah. This time, however, the Spartans prevailed 4-1, thanks to Redmond and Smith, who each tallied two goals and an assist.

Unfortunately, a wet blanket of snow and a tough Southwick team were able to thwart EL's pass-oriented offense in the championship game 2-0, but an experienced core returns for the Spartans next year and continued success seems assured.

	Opp.	EL
Minnechaug	2	1
Central	4	0
South Hadley	1	3
Easthampton	2	3
Hampshire	1	1
Monson	2	2
Southwick	1	0
Gateway	3	3
	Opp.	EL
H. Catholic	1	6
South Hadley	0	3
Easthampton	1	4
Hampshire	1	4
Monson	5	3
Southwick	3	1
Gateway	0	1
H. Catholic	0	4

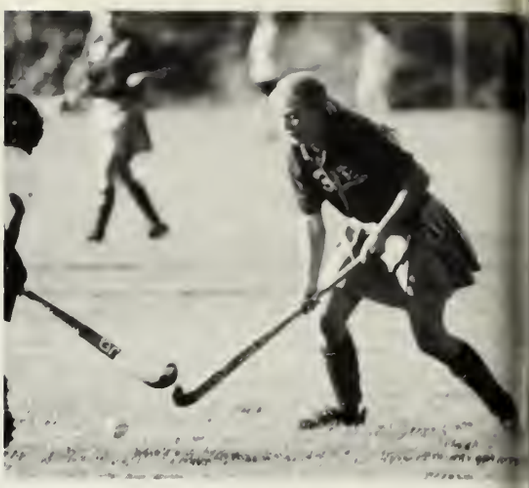
Please hit me on the forehead, not the nose!

Heads up! Tom Velonis' defensive skills helped keep opponents off the scoreboard.

The '95 soccer season proved to be a hair raising experience.

Thumbs up! Kirsten gets the shaft in the Longmeadow game.

Just a hunch - Aimee battles Quasimodo of Westfield.



An Emi Award winning season for the Spartans climaxed with a tr the playoffs.

Have you hugged your field hockey player today?

FIELD HOCKEY

1st (l-r) Amy Michaelian, Aimee Rugani, Dana Turpie (Capt.), Courtney Fratar, Julie Bareiss. 2nd (l-r) Emi Bareiss, Anna Cardaropoli, Andrea Gagnon, Andrea Hubbard, Kirsten Metzger, Maria Cardaropoli, Susan Blac Tiffany Cunningham. 3rd (l-r) Coach Hubbard, Coach Renear, Kristen Carabine, Chrissy McKenna, Kris Melien, Kate Miller, Korinne Esposito, Michelle Bergeron, Amy Bertrand, Julie Niznik, Joelle Reed (Capt. Coach Hubbard, Coach Lussier.

All-League selection Andrea Hubbard will captain the Spartans next year.

Center of attention - Captain Dana Turpie strengthened the Spartan defensive unit.

"We have the will to win . . ."

You have to finish your Amy (Aimee?) sandwich, before you have the Brownies for dessert.

s no pushover - Chrissy McKenna waists her opponent.

It was here a minute ago!

After falling only 4 points short of making tournament last year, the Spartan field hockey team was determined to fight their way to the top during the '95 season. By defeating West Side 4-1 in their last game of the season, the Spartans improved to 7-6-3 and secured a spot for themselves in the playoffs. The talents of lead scorer Amy Michaelian (All-League, 2nd team All WMass), Aimee Rugani, Julie Bareiss, and Andrea Hubbard (All-League) made for the most solid offense in years while co-captain Dana Turpie, Courtney Fratar, and Kirsten Metzger (All-League and 2nd Team All WMass) backed up by goalie and co-captain Joelle Reed teamed to create a stingy defense. With the continued growth of the program (including this year's addition of the first freshman team), Spartan field hockey is ready to go all the way next year.

	Opp.	EL		Opp.	EL
Northampton	1	0	W. Springfield	0	2
Turners Falls	0	2	Minnechaug	0	1
Minnechaug	0	1	Longmeadow	3	0
Longmeadow	2	0	Southwick	3	2
Southwick	6	1	Agawam	1	0
Agawam	2	0	Westfield	1	1
Westfield	0	2	W. Springfield	0	1

! Julie Bareiss was a mainstay on the forward line.

Sue Black shows us her dark side.

Miller Light? The ball seems to have one-third less gravity when Katie's involved.

Runners wait for the gun at a tri-meet.

"Phil, it must be the energy pills!"

BOYS' CROSS COUNTRY

The fall of '95 was a season of struggle for the EL boys' cross-country team as they slipped to a record of 3-8. Despite that mark, there were still some noteworthy results for the Spartans, after all, the sport is still largely one of individual effort.

Senior captain and team MVP Al Meunier placed 38th out of 175 in WMass and was the pace-setter for the Spartans all year. Fellow senior Jay Caron, competing in the sport for the first time, proved to be a competent and competitive runner whose contribution to the team was significant. Juniors Dan Manley, Matt MacKechnie, and John Zilch will return to lead the team next fall as the Spartans look for a reversal of fortune.

	Opp.	EL
Northampton	43	21
Cathedral	23	35
Minnechaug	15	48
Holyoke	19	40
Central	36	25
Longmeadow	17	44
Central	39	20
West Side	20	39
Westfield	23	32
Chicopee Comp	22	33
Amherst	19	40

Coach Calabrese, Dan Brassard, Andy Kyte, John Zilch, Matt MacKechnie, Dave Robison, Pat Roberts, Jon Manning, Rob Gladden, Greg Metzidakis, Coach Budd. (back row, l-r) Joe Brassard, Al Meunier, Dan Manley, Joe Maggi, Jason Caron.

Run, Run . . .

As fast as you can . . .

You can't catch me,

I'm the gingerbread man!

Captain Cori Cassidy provided a core of experience for the team.

Sometimes Cross Country braces you for life.

A positive outlook is all you need in Cross Country.

GIRLS CROSS COUNTRY

, l-r); Coach Budd, Lauren Scagni, Jessica Bruso, Maggie Jaroszewicz, Stephanie Poole, Coach Calabrese, (front); Cori Cassidy, ra Kennedy.

	Opp.	EL
Northampton	27	32
Cathedral	26	31
Minnechaug	26	29
Central	18	37
Holyoke	22	34
Longmeadow	17	46
Chicopee	22	38
West Side	31	24
Westfield	32	24
Chic. Comp	32	23

Rather than rely on beginners' luck, the '95 girls' Cross-Country team worked hard to achieve their success. In '94 the team had only two runners. This fall, behind the leadership of junior captain Cori Cassidy and senior Lauren Scagni, who was competing for the first time, the girls raced to a 6-4 record, their best in years. Among the wins were triumphs over West Springfield, Minnechaug, Central, and a first-ever victory versus Cathedral.

Among the five freshman girls who contributed to the team, Stephanie Poole was certainly the most remarkable. She flew through the regular season and earned a 21st place finish at the WMass meet - unheard of for anyone her age. Stephanie also qualified for the prestigious Mass. state meet and managed to finish in the top half of the pack in that race as well.

Maggie Jaroszewicz, Laura Kennedy, Jessica Bruso, and Marlena McCoy all return next fall to help the Spartans take the next step on the path to league domination.

up Scagni - it's only your first (and last)

The girls achieved a winning season by Pooling their resources.

Tribal elders Cori and Lauren look for a lead.

Now serving #6!

No net gain - Stan and Adam had little to show for this effort against the Eagles.

No Lai - Michelle and the rest of the team will return intact n year.

VOLLEYBALL

In only their second year of operation, the ELHS volleyball teams struggled to receive the same level of recognition as their fall season counterparts. The boys, led by co-captains Stan Anderson and Brian Twyeffort, endured a midseason coaching change, yet still managed to finish with a record of 9-7. Though Anderson and fellow senior Jeremy Gamache will be lost to graduation, a strong team returns next year, led by Kris Young, Bryan Safford (MVP), Adam Overlock, and Matt Bergeron (voted the team's Most Improved Player).

Although the girls' team suffered through a difficult season, they did manage to preserve a level of enthusiasm and dedication that should pay dividends as they gain full varsity status next year. Kari Speight and Jessica Alexander appear destined to lead a group of talented underclasswomen that will include Lisa Maloni Cherylanda Wasnuk, and Michelle Lai.

Heartbreak Kotel? No way! Coach was upbeat throughout the season.

In like Flynn - Coach Dave Flynn replaced the embattled Coach Campbell halfway through the season.

1st (l-r) Jamie Dame (asst. coach), Caroline Young, Cherylanda Wasnuk, Michelle Lai, Coach Kotel. 2nd (l-r) Lisa Maloni, Jessica Alexander, Julia Nelligan, Sara Harrison, Kari Speight.

1st (l-r) Matt Bergeron, Kris Young, Adam Overlock, Jason Dean. 2nd (l-4) Brian Twyef (co-captain), Sean Miner, Jeremy Gamache, Stan Anderson (co-captain), Josh Goodchild, Br Safford, Coach Flynn.

"Go down mountain, go down moountain fast!"-Coach Sherpa shares his wisdom.

No, no . . . around the pole Amanda, around it!

SKIING

ack l-r) Sean Miner, Tom Scherpa, Bill Madrel, Dan Desilets, Coach Scherpa, Chris Bousquet, Seth Wheeler, Chris Conway, (2nd) Coach Bean, Amanda Potter, Zach Rohlfs, Laura Jurkowski, Jackie Scully, BJ Andersand, Lisa Adams, Lauren Scagni, Brienne nith. (front l-r) Julianne Socha, Nicole LaPolice, Tiffany Cunningham, Ryan Smith.

In only their second season of organized competition, the boys and girls ski teams are rapidly ascending to the top of the hill. Coaches Scherpa and Bean shepherded a talented group of athletes whose hard work paid off in slalom and giant slalom races against seven other B Division schools. Leading the boys' team was senior captain Tom Scherpa, who received the distinction of being seeded at the WMass Individuals. Fellow seniors Josh Miner, Chris Bousquet, and Dan (DQ) Desilets provided depth to a squad that also boasts several promising underclassmen, including Zach Rohlfs, Sean Miner, Ryan Smith, and BJ Anderson. The girls were led by senior captain Lauren Scagni, and by underclasswomen Amanda Potter (8th in division overall), Jackie Scully, both of whom were seeded at WMass. Liz Burroughs, Brienne Smith, Tiffany Cunningham, Julianne Socha and Nicole LaPolice are among the girls who will return next year as the team competes for the first with full varsity recognition.

Can we give you two a lift?

Three skis in a pod.

The hills are alive- Coach Ma Bean and her skiers will enjoy full varsity status next year.

Claude Badly? The Spartans lost three games to the eventual WMass champion Lions, but by narrower margins each time.

Pat Frye closed out his career in style, chipping in 15 points from his blue line position.

"Let's go already!" Erik Tondera waits for a face-off.

HOCKEY

front (l-r); Tony Levesque, Chris Minchella, Mike Lupi, Fred Berard, Mike Breton, Ryan Donovan, Erik Tondera. back (l-r); Coach Sibley, Sean Edwards, John Ward-Horner, Chuck Doucette, Mike Perella, Bryan Doe, Mike Pappelardo, Greg Bean, Paul Beaulieu, Lee Donovan, Coach Brownlee.

$$ in the bank - Green linemates Perella and Levesque deposited 44 goals in opponents' nets.

Tony Levesque's four-goal outburst against Holyoke secured a first-round playoff victory for the Spartans.

Greg Bean put the biscuit in the basket five times in '96.

The Lonesome Pine? Coach Brownlee may prefer line dancing to line juggling, but his teams are always successful.

Into the Lions' den - Chris Minchella headmans the puck through center ice . . .

. . . while teammates T.J. Dean and Mike Perella get hacked as they attempt to enter Ludlow's zone.

The hockey team enjoyed a rollercoaster ride of sorts in '96, qualifying for the post-season tournament with a 9-7-3 record and advancing to the second round of the playoffs before succumbing to the eventual champions from Ludlow. The year begn with only moderate expectations for the Spartans, who dressed just two seniors, right wing Chris Minchella and defenseman Pat Frye. In the early going the young squad made the kinds of mistakes typical of inexperienced teams, most often relying too much on individual, rather than team play. But with their 3-2 victory over Westfield, avenging an earlier drubbing at the hands of the Bomhers, the improving Spartans demonstrated that they could play with anyone. E.L. was led all year by the potent "green" line of Tony Levesque, Mike Perella, and Chris Minchell, who combined for 55 goals and 62 assists. The "black" line of Matt Perella, Lee Donovan, and Greg Bean also showed some offensive capability and their development should give the team more balance next seaon. The defense corps will also benefit from the hours of ice time logged in '96, as Erik Tondera, Chuck Doucette, Ryan Donovan, Bryan Doe, and goaltender Fred Berard all return as well.

	Opp.	EL
Amherst	5	4
Greenfield	3	3
Longmeadow	3	3
Agawam	1	8
Central	2	11
Minnechaug	13	7
Ludlow	11	2
Westfield	8	2
Easthampton	2	6
Putnam	2	9
Palmer	4	9

	Opp.	EL
Ludlow	7	1
Westfield	2	3
South Hadley	4	6
Greenfield	3	1
Central	1	7
St. Joseph's	4	3
Chic. Comp	2	7
Longmeadow	4	4
Holyoke	4	7
Ludlow	6	2

Donovan's steady play on defense was a team strength.

The puck stops here! Fred Berard played very well down the stretch for the Spartans.

Ice station zebra - Mike Perella's 44 pts. tied him for tops on the team.

Drivers wanted - Brian Sullivan shows some nice cornering ability on his way up court.

Backdoor! Tom Velonis gets set to deliver as Rick Baker catches his man watching the ball

Nearly every game was a toss-up for the Spartans in '96.

BOYS' BASKETBALL

front (l-r); Tom Velonis, Shaun Erickson, Brian Sullivan, back (l-r); Coach Tidlund, Vin Scordino, Jim Goodwin, Rick Baker, Jason Pelzek, Sean Doyle, Sean Butler, Ben Deane, Coach Proulx, Coach Donaldson.

Rick Baker chipped in 10 points in a win over Gateway.

Beat the Press - Sean Butler leaves his man in the dust.

All-out hustle was the trademark of this year's team.

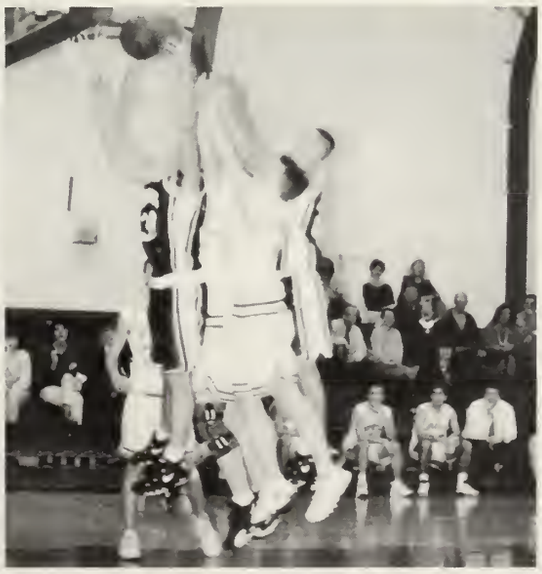
Downtown! Jim Goodwin was an outstanding three-point shooter in '96.

partans' up-tempo style left players and coaches exhausted at the end of most games.

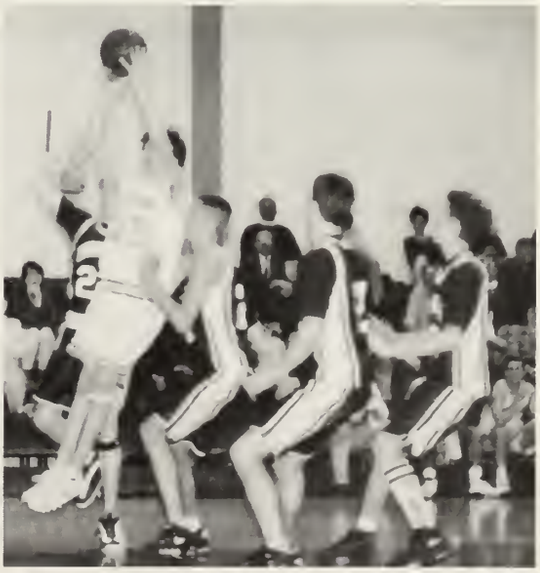
The Spartans enjoyed mixed results in the winter of '96, qualifying for the playoffs but bowing to Chicopee in the first round. The team was a successful blend of youth and age; Seniors Tom Velonis, Brian Sullivan, and Shaun Erickson led some very talented underclassmen through their first season on varsity. Sophomores Sean Butler and Jason Pelzek formed a potent trio up front with Erickson, and should only improve over the next two years together. Juniors Jim Goodwin and Vin Scordino's display brought a very necessary three-point option to the Spartans' arsenal, as the team relied on a run-and-gun style offense to keep them in games against larger foes. The team's 10-10 record is a good indication that after years of frustration, the hoop program is headed in the right direction again.

	Opp.	EL		Opp.	EL
Minnechaug	82	63	Holyoke C	54	51
Westfield	54	55	Belchertown	56	62
Minnechaug	92	78	Hampshire	73	53
Westfield	66	71	Southwick	52	53
Hampshire	63	38	Palmer	60	57
Southwick	51	52	Gateway	27	42
Palmer	46	62	Monson	40	35
Gateway	60	62	Ware	54	69
Monson	79	66	Holyoke C	59	54
Ware	41	72	Belchertown	64	61

sky hook - Brian Sullivan didn't score on this shot, but l drain both foul shots.



The glass cleaners take time out for a sandwich.



Put back time! Jason Pelzek beats four Falcons to an offensive rebound.

Jessica DeAngelo and the Spartan D. fleece the sheep.

Don't worry, be happy! Elmo Kubera keeps the smiles coming when the going gets toug

GIRLS' BASKETBALL

"Milk does a body good!" Amy, you had better drink up if you want that rebound.

(top l-r) Shannon Ledger, Kate Lelas, Kate Miller, Kate Goodwin, Julie Niznik, Laura Znoj. (front l-r) Mademoiselle Michelle Bergeron, Kate Garvey, Jessica DeAngelo.

Hugs all around! Laura gets the support of her team at her last home game.

"You gotta' want it, to win it, and we want it MORE!"

"Uh-oh, somebody picked up a T!"

Fast break! Kate makes like Mike.

ura, after 4 years you should know to bend your knees!

A center of low gravity - Happy-go-luck freshman, Julie Niznik, was sensational in the pivot.

Despite their record of 7-13, the girls' varsity basketball team advanced to the preliminary round of the playoffs, bowing to Northampton 59-35. The year was a wild mixture of successes and failures for the Spartans, as they strove to bring their program into the elite echelon of WMass competition. Lopsided losses to powerhouses South Hadley and Monson were offset by encouraging victories over Holyoke Catholic and Ludlow.

Laura Znoj was the lone senior for the Spartans, who boast five freshman, three sophomores, and two juniors on the roster. Freshman Julie Niznik was sensational among that group of newcomers, leading the team in rebounds and points. Meg Kubera, Michelle Bergeron, and Amy Bertrand round out what should be a formidable frontcourt for EL next season. Guards Kate Miller, Kate Goodwin, and Jess DeAngelo directed the offense from the backcourt and all three return in that role next year.

The inexperience that came with being the youngest team in the league should be gone in '97; the rest of WMass may be in for a surprise.

	EL	Opp.		EL	Opp.
Palmer	33	45	Hampshire	35	42
Ludlow	35	27	Palmer	31	50
Ellington	25	59	Ludlow	33	26
Rockville	22	45	Holyoke C.	50	49
Holyoke C.	53	40	Ware	37	17
Ware	45	19	Hampshire	35	45
Monson	34	58	Monson	34	37
S. Hadley	29	45	S. Hadley	42	64
Southwick	37	52	Southwick	24	41
Belchertown	38	27	Belchertown	36	34
			N. Hampton	35	59

RAMMMMMED!

"Wrong-way Bergeron!"

Excessive dribblers need extra protection.

Young Guns - Sophomore Kevin McGunnigle was a Boys' powerhouse.

We're #1! These guys led the Spartans throughout the season.

Oh my Lord! Mike turned in a season's best of 215.80 points in diving.

BOYS' SWIMMING

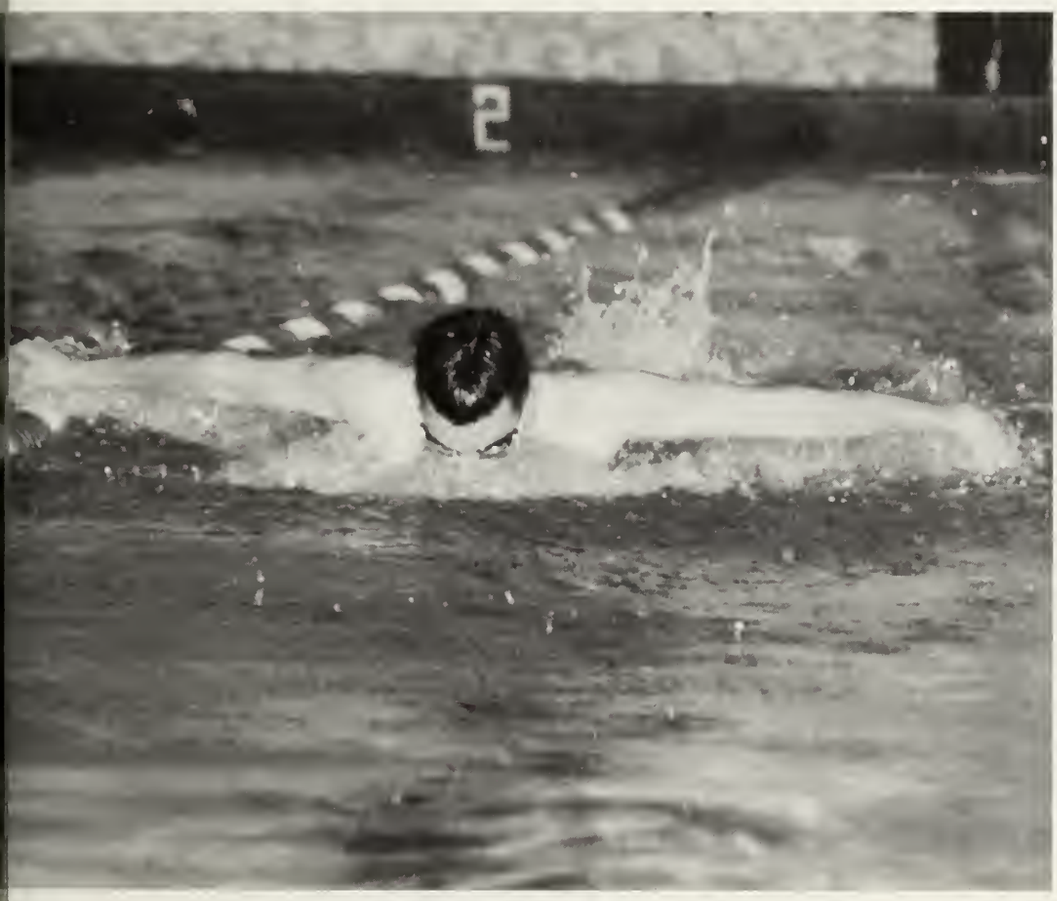
(front l-r): B. Houser, D. Skowron, E. Witowski, S. Pevay, A. Overlock. (2nd l-r): R. Scully, P. Roberts, J Manning, K. McGunnigle, T. Brennan, D. Bourbeau, M. Gour, P. Gallagher. (3rd l-r): A. Meunier, J. Alcom J. Caron, R. Ferrari, (top l-r): Coach Bolles, C. Gray, J. McNeill, M. Lord.

Whatever you do, don't drink the water!

Butterflies are free!

"IN . . . OUT . . ." The Spartans celebrate with a time honored tradition.

Dave doubles as a diver, with a personal best of 146.50.

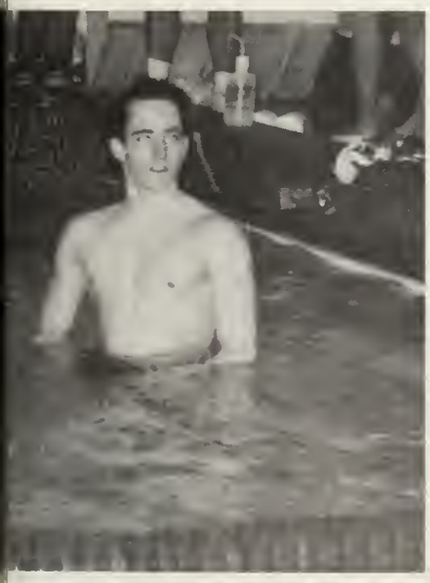


L'Eminence Grise? Captain Charles Gray helped to lead the Spartans to a 5th place finish in the states.

It was deja vu all over again for the boys' swim team in '96 as they recorded their second consecutive 8-3 season. Unlike most past Spartan swim teams, however, this group had no superstars; what they did have was a solid work ethic and a depth of talent that left other schools floundering in their wake. Eleven EL mermen qualified for WMass where the team swam to a fourth place finish. In the meat market-like atmosphere of the state tournament the Spartans touched home in fifth.

The boys were led by senior tri-captains Charles Gray (100 Back, Relays), Mike Lord (Diving, 100 Breast, Relays), and Jim McNeill (50/100 Free, Relays), all four year starters whose experience and leadership set an example for their teammates to follow. Rafael Ferrari, our senior exchange student from Brazil, was a midseason addition to the team, and proved to be a solid swimmer in the freestyle events. The strength of the team was in the underclasses, as juniors Matt Gour (50/100 Free), Dave Bourbeau (Diving, Backstroke, 500 Free), and Tom Brennan (100 Back, 500 Free) each contrihuted valuahle points in dual meet competition. Sophomores Kevin McGunnigle and Adam Overlock, and freshman Dave Skowron (2nd WMass 100 Fly) should power the team past the 8 win high water mark next year.

	Opp.	EL		Opp.	EL
Belchertown	25	76	Longmeadow	48	53
Chic. Comp.	53	48	Easthampton	62	119
Central	46	134	Minnechaug	61	41
Westfield	39	132	Easthampton	35	65
Minnechaug	55.5	46.5	Longmeadow	67	116
Cathedral	32	64			



cNeill was strong in the Freestyle sprints for the ns.

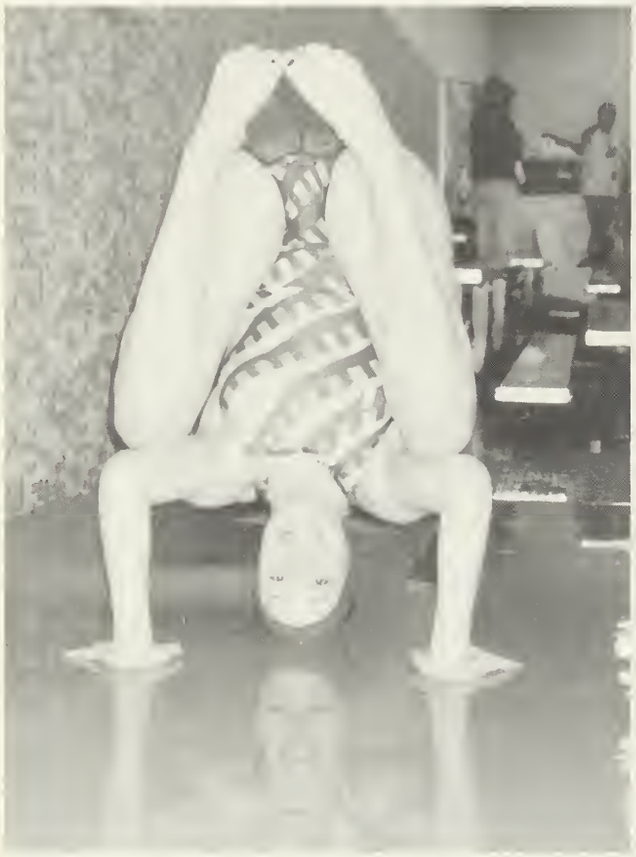
Goggle-eyed? Matt Gour sizes up the competition.

For Pete's sake! Pete Gallagher finished 6th in WMass diving.

Lynn breaks for no man . . . all spare time goes to the team.

What's Kate Boggis doing in my soup? Looks like the backstroke!

GIRLS' SWIMMING



A fish out of water . . .

(1st l-r): Andrea Corbett, Cindy Paige, Jaime Young, Julie Moran, Meghan Pollack, Karen Shaw, Tiia Kienitz, Jayme Brown, Amy Wilson. (2nd l-r): Susan Swords: Lara Demoracski, Jessica Boucher, Kendall Gonsalves, Kate Boggis, Jennie Hill, Lynn Avezzie, Amanda Liucci, Colleen Milbier, Kim D'Ambrosio. (back l-r): Coach Gonsalves, Nikki Gonsalves, Jamie Ferrero, Dana Turpie.

Smells like Team Spirit! Jennie and Kate captured valuable points for the Spartans.

Reaching new heights! Captain Dana Turpie finished 7th in the WMass 50 Freestyle.

?! Freshman Jayme Brown picked up several victories in the 500 Free throughout the sn.

"Rollin' rollin', rollin', keep those Spartans rollin' . . . "

idn't train for second! Sophomore sensation Kendall Gonsalves recorded her second straight undefeated high school season, beginning ding on a record breaking pace.

1996 was a year of mixed emotions for the girls' swim team, as they witnessed the remarkable success of one teammate and the closing of the careers of three seniors, Dana Turpie, Jamie Ferrero, and Nikki Gonsalves. The Spartans finished with a 4-8-1 record, the result of several close meets that slipped away in the final events. Turpie and underclassmen Amanda Liucci and Kendall Gonsalves were the only girls to qualify for individual events in WMass. Spartan relay swimmers included Turpie, Gonsalves, Lynn Avezzie, Kate Boggis, Jennie Hill, Julie Moran, and Jessica Boucher. Together they finished 5th in the 200 Free Relay, 6th in the 400 Free Relay, and 15th in the 200 Medley Relay. The biggest story of the season was sophomore Kendall Gonsalves who bettered Dena Wright's mark in the 500 by nearly 3 seconds. Kendall went on to post an undefeated record in dual meets and topped off her year by establishing two new school records at WMass. She lowered her own time in the 500 by a whopping 7 seconds and also broke Carolyn Burney's 20 year-old record in the 200 freestyle. Turpie also contributed to the Spartans' success in WMass as she swam in all three relays and finished 7th in the 50 Free. Dana, Nikki, and Jamie leave behind an experienced core of swimmers who will look to the leadership of juniors Lynn Avezzie, Kate Boggis, Jennie Hill, Amanda Liucci, Karen Shaw, and Susan Swords in hopes of repeating the successes of years past.

	Opp.	EL		Opp.	EL
Belchertown	61	40	Easthampton	40	130
Chicopee Comp	56	45	Holyoke Catholic	88	88
Central	71	114	Minnechaug	57	45
Westfield	117	59	Easthampton	12	82
Minnechaug	56	46	Longmeadow	99	88
Cathedral	46	56	Holyoke Catholic	54	47
Longmeadow	62	40			

nda for all seasons . . . Amanda Liucci turned in victories personal bests of 27.7 in the 50 and 1:00.5 in the 100.

Flashback! Jessica took twelfth in WMass Diving.

Rub-a-dub-dub, three captains in a tub(e).

Hold on a second, work with me here.

Don't cross this Chris!

This one didn't get away Scott free! Scott Stuckenbruck capped off his wrestling career with an impressive senior season.

WRESTLING

(back row l-r) Coach Kosel, Dan Burke, Desire Thorpe, Kari Haskall, Steve Fazio, Brendan Humphries, Marty Fagone, Coach Thompson. (2nd row l-r) Chris Dimetres, Jay MacNaught, Scott Stuckenbruck, Anthony Drummond. (front row l-r) Bill Ferreo, Bill Borowiec, Kevin Lennon.

Escape clause? Anthony Drummond has his opponent right where he wants him.

Steve Fazio brought honor to ELHS at the state competition.

Don't shoot (for the legs) until you see the whites of their eyes!

I hope he's not ticklish.

Pig pile on the kid from Dean Vocational!

"8, 9, 10 - Down for the count!"

The Varsity Wrestling team struggled through a season of ups and downs in '96, compiling a dual meet record of 3-8. Seven first year wrestlers were rushed into action, but despite such diverse circumstances there are still several success stories to report.

Senior tri-captains Chris Dimetres, Jay McNaught, and Scott Stuckenbuck put together fine individual statistics, Dimetres finishing an impressive 14-10, and McNaught a respectable 6-4. Stuckenbruck's season as interrupted by a broken hand, yet he still battled to win 7 of 11 matches.

Juniors Anthony Drummond and Steve Fazio were also major contributors in '96. Fazio led the team with his 17-6 record and went on to finish fifth in the state tournament. Their continued improvement should pay dividends for the Spartans next year, as they and many other underclassmen return to the mat. Several strong athletes should help return the program to its accustomed prominence, among them: Bill Borowiec (103), Bill Ferrero and Kevin Lennon (112), Brendan Humphries (125), Dan Burke (130) and Marty Fagone (189).

Pioneer	L
Ludlow	L
Southwick	L
Minnechaug	L
Cathedral	W
Athol	L
Putnam	L
Frontier	L
Central	L
Belchertown	W
Dean Voc.	W

'Til there was Bill.

My spidey-sense is tingling! Steve Fazio took fifth place in the States.

Shake hands and come out fighting!

Soccer is no laughing matter.

Goaltending is a lonely business - JV co-captain Kristin Carabine had 8 shutouts.

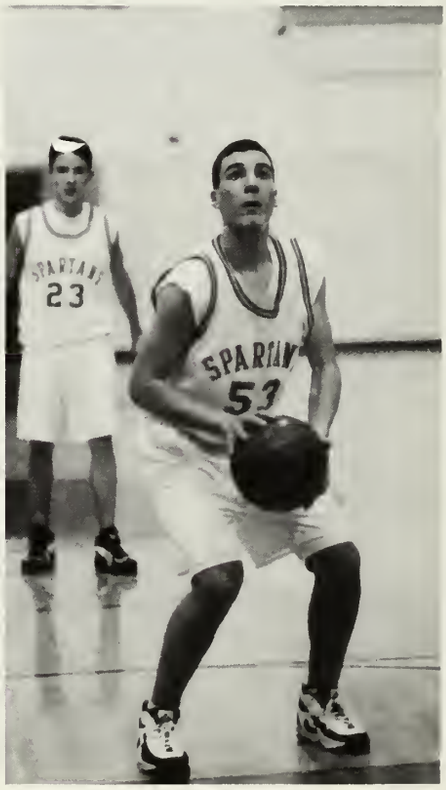
Whoa Nellie! Julia dishes the rock.

These boys are DPP (down with the pine posse).

1st (l-r) Dave Bourbeau, Kyle Anderson, Kevin Lennon, Ryan Shaw, Sean Butler, Brian Butl Anthony Drummond, Jeff Atwater, Nick Zanetti, Andy Mathison, Jay Burke. 2nd (l-r) Z Rohlfs, Chris Wood, Todd Fratar, Tim Robertson, Kevin McGunnigle, Jason Pelzek, Jon Pieci Ben Deane, Greg Bean, Josh Hastings, Coach Casagrande.

Hey ref, shake your head, your eyes are stuck.

Yakkity-yak - Take out the goalie and fullback.



Classic Concentration - Charlie chucks from the charity stripe.

Run, Forrest, run!

second season, the ski team has been a success due largely to the participation of assmen.

Who ever heard of croquet without the wickets?

y? No way! Joe Hutchinson filled some big shoes for the Spartans when Shaun Erickson was

(first row l-r) Evan Goodchild, Ryan Shaw, Joe Costa, Matt Christensen, Jason Robertson, Joe Picknally. (2nd row) Coach Caverly, Brian Butler, Jeff Burack, Chris Wood, Joe John, James Cormir, Greg Burack.

Pam I am.

I wanna be a part of it, in ol' New York.

Eye on the ball, good stance, follow through, and pray.

(first row l-r) Ben Jackson, Jason Robertson, Joe John, Eric Nagarli, Matt Christensen, Bill Borowiec, Joe Picknally. (2nd row l-r) Mike Breton, Dave Suchcicki, Sean McCauley, Brendan Humphries, Dan Burke, Brett Dillon, John Zanetti, Jeff Hart, Ed Bednarz, Luke Baran, Coach Drenthe.

Hip check for a hip chick.

"Five little ducks went out to play . . ." or not.

(first row l-r) Laura Jurkowski, Kim Morin, Leah Glashow, Amy Wilson, Mary Lynn Willia Michelle Bergeron. (2nd row l-r) Kristin Carabine, Kelly Hill, Laura DiMichele, Ni Levesque, Meghan Briggs, Lynn McCormick, Lisa Adams, Megan Eddy, Sarah Andrew, I Kelly, Coach Hubbard.

He shoots! He scores!

Dazed and Confused

Who knew the Lilliputians were in our league?

Roll, roll, roll the ball, gently down the field . . .

Back to basics - Sean puts his dribbling skills to good use.

Get in shape girl! Deep knee bends and working to the rhythm.

Four Little Football Players and How They Grew.

The desire to surpass ourselves!

RLS BASKETBALL: Monica Conner, Julia Nelligan, Stephanie Poole, Christine Granado.
row, l-r) Coach Lussier, Pam Cargill, Kelly Grzebien.

Kick the ball Zach, and don't you come back no more, no more, no more, no more.

Go ahead, make my day.

Practice makes perfect. Let's reach for the stars, girls.

Could you tackle a face like this?

Hand ball! Good thing this is only practice.

Alright, we know that there's no such thing as JV Hockey, but because only two of the nineteen players were seniors, there was a strong underclassmen force behind this year's winning team.

Dive for it!

Diane Bourbeau- Born to play soccer.

EN GIRLS SOCCER: Jennifer Carabetta, Christine Granado, Jessica DeAngelo, Lisa Ryan, Karlyn Carrie McQuillan, Kelly White. (Back, l-r) Coach Caverly, Kara Hellyer, Carmella Gioiella, Diane , Ann Wagner, Sarah Tarczynski, Melanie Samay.

Dodge to the left, dodge to the right. Stand up, sit down. Fight, fight, fight!

k! Only the COOL freshmen are allowed on this side of

A mere three hours after birth the pinto takes its first steps.

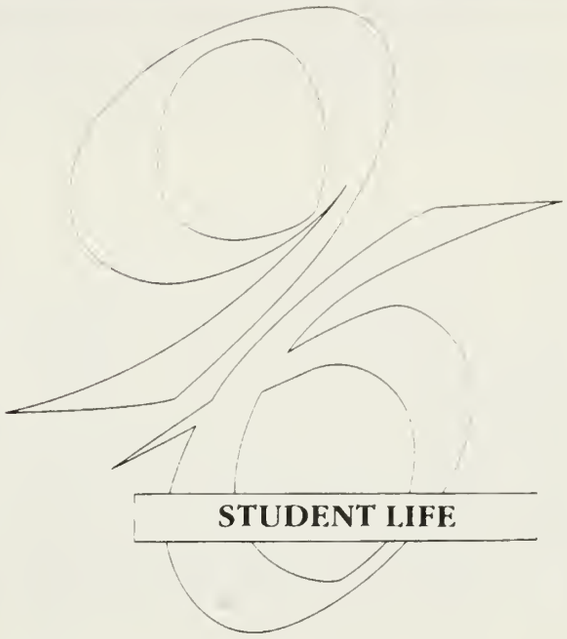
What have they been feeding those linemen?

t your left foot in, you put your left foot out, you play against the Lancers and you turn them inside

JV GIRLS SOCCER. Erin Lavelle, Jessica Ledger, Kate Garvey, Colleen Milbier, Danielle Suchicki, Brie Ryan. 2nd row: Coach Brunelle, Karen Sullivan, Monica Connor, Shannon Ledger, Jade Aliacandro, Antonella Raschilla, Lisa Sweeney, Kristin Edgett, Jackie Scully, Megan Shaw, Kate Lelas, Kerry Doyle.

. . . Merrily, Merrily, Merrily, Merrily,

Life Is But A Dream.



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When you're only making minimum wage, it's hard to build a nest egg for your House o' DREAMS, but planning ahead is a big part of every student's life.

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Clubhouse Rules #4 & 6. If you're here to look at pictures, LEAVE! Junior Editors must respect their title.

Lewis, Nora'll never even give you the time of day if you don't obey Clubhouse Rule #1. No Pottymouths.

Amendment 47. Remember to CALL HOME!!!

ouse Rule #2. No coming to the Clubhouse for the sole purpose of food. #3. No begging for EVER!!

Clubhouse Rule #13. OBEY ALL THE CLUBHOUSE RULES!

history books tell us that the ancient Spartans were a fiendish lot, that they conquered and bred a race of slaves just so that they could save themselves for more important duties (such as whipping enians and inventing democracy). In the three thousand years since, little has changed. Here at ELHS there exists a division of labor that would make those early Spartans blush with shame. We're g about ourselves, naturally, for we would have to climb UP two rungs on the social ladder just to be considered slaves!

after day we toil away in the unfriendly confines of our little Clubhouse, cropping and typing late into the evening, lest we be whipped by our lord and master, Epaminondas Lynch. And as if those ours under his menacing gaze aren't enough, he forces us out into the streets to beg for money to whet his insatiable appetite for pages. Always MORE PAGES! Our only respite comes when we wed an occasional foray for soda and crackers (and even then he keeps the recycling nickels as his due).

tell you, friend, that our time is nearing an end. The heady smell of freedom is in the air! Our slave leaders, Johari "the Enforcer" Curtis, Sarah "the Counsellor" Lindwall, Laura "She's here!" ness, and Jennie "I'm hungry" Hill, have been plotting our way out of this terrible bondage. We shall overcome (Jostens permitting).

AEGIS

"What a day for a daydream." - October 1, 1995 was a lovely day for a picnic, too.

Circle of Friends!

"Open your hearts and let the sun shine in."

"On the count of three, let go!!"

The newest fad in environmentally safe transportation.

Chillin' in the pavillion.

DYN-O-MITE!!

SENIOR

The senior girls want to know, "Are you strong enough to be my man?"

In perfect form? The guys are up to the challenge.

Suddenly, volleyball is more fun on grass than the hardwood gym floor.

No gossip at this table, the food's got ears.

Pink flamingos are out of style - here's the latest in lawn ornaments.

"Put your head on my shoulder."

Lighten up, Dan, it's a picnic, not the Longmeadow game!

PICNIC

Attention! Sio shows Julie correct military posture.

November 9, 1995. Yet another senior class learned how to make ziti. Step 1: Use basic geometry skills to fold napkins.

Step 2: Boil lots of water. Dina finds out it's not just a job for expectant father

Step 3: Get saucy with your friends!

Step 4: Add a few class officers and homeroom reps to taste.

Remember, your guests may get thirsty. Step 5: Put Brian on ice.

Step 6: Poach the Salmon (optional Northern Italian side dish only).

It ain't easy bearin' greens! Step 7: Toss the salad.

ZITI

Erin, young and able, get your elbows off the table . . . Step 8: It's ziti time!

Step 9: Have a heapin' helpin' of our hospitality.

Who's gonna' eat all this? Step 10: Find an officer and a few gentlemen.

Step 11: Hire a band, or an Athlete of the Week!

i: he cook! Step 12: All the Bambini must thank Mrs. ato.

Dessert: the Final Frontier! Step 13: Keep Jaime out of the cookies.

Step 14: That sinking feeling! Clean up and don't spare the elbow grease.

DINNER

January 14, 1996 was icy and cold (but not as bad as it was back in December).

Greetings and salutations from the senior advisors.

So, do you come here often?

Come on, smile. How often do you get to dance with a beautiful Columbian?

Would you care for a dance my little Swedish meatball?

Get into the groove.

Illegal use of the hands.

SEMI

So, Mr. Mazz, about those six points . . .

"You look marvelous darling, simply ravishing!"

your arms and doe - si - doe, twirl'er round and here we

Good times get better when friends get together.

Kari and Kevin shake their groove thangs.

Smile, you're on Candid Camera!

Where did you get that dress?

FORMAL

Most Annoying Laugh
Randall Benoit

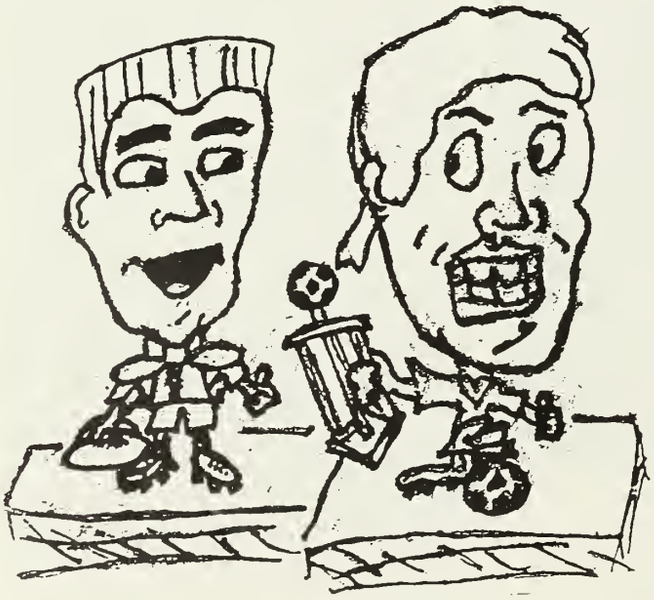
Best Looking
Steph Kimble & James Redmond

Class Scholar
Errin Green & Tom Schorpa

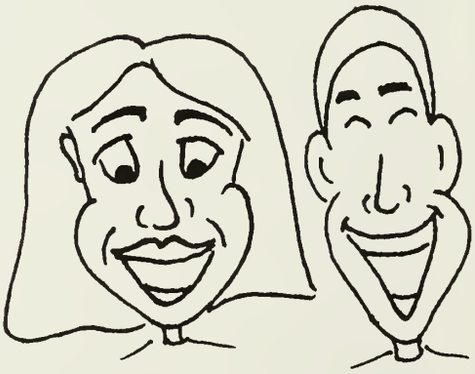
Most Argumentative
Errin Green & Dan Destlets

Class Dreamer
Jen Lopardo & Jason Caron

Most School Spirit
Jodie Reed & Eric Carabine



Class Athlete
Johari Curtis & Dan Maurer



Best Smile
Jen Porfilio & James Redmond

Most Annoying Laugh
Heather Humphries

CLASS

Class Flirt
Jamie Ferrero & Brant Kelley

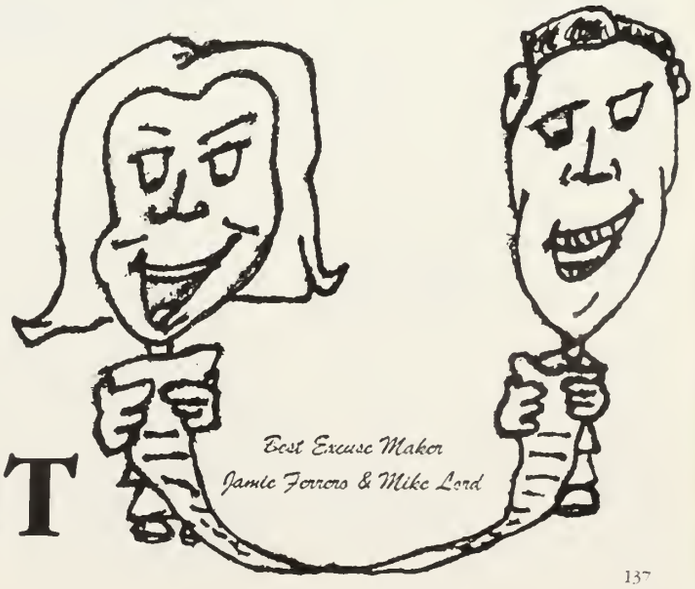
Class Musicians
Elizabeth Burroughs & Ben Twyeffort

Worst Driver
Alicia Taylor & Jeremy Gamanche

Most Respected
Dina Trovato & Dan Desilets

Most Likely To Be Confused With A Freshman
Koren LeClair & Chris Minchella

Best Dressed
Kristin McMillan & James Redmond



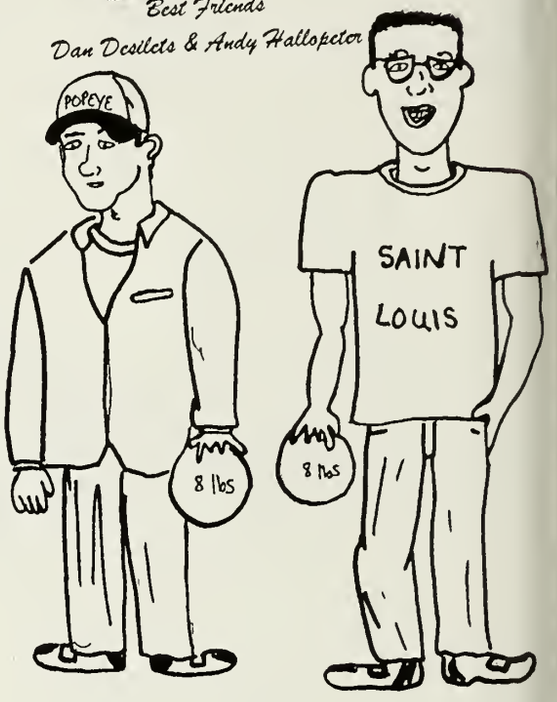
Best Excuse Maker
Jamie Ferrero & Mike Lord

BALLOT

Best Friends
Nikki Gonsalves & Dave Gibson

Most Sought After
Ashley Salmon & Mike Goodwin

Best Friends
Dan Desilets & Andy Hallopeter



Class Kiss-Up
Kristin McMillan & Tom Vdonis

Class Couple
Jodie Reed & Dan Maurer

Best Friends
Jen Jakus & Steph Kimble

Shyest
Koren LeClair & Reed Kellman

Class Artist
Elizabeth Burroughs & Josh Miner

Class Whiner
Jen Fellion & Chris Minchella

Just look at what a favorable rate of exchange can get you these days!

To listen to the commercials, you might think that all you need to get along in a foreign country is a VISA card and a smile. Not so, my ugly American friends, particularly when the "foreign" country is our own. Anyone who stays here for any length of time had better come equipped with courage, patience, and a sensitive pair of ears.

This year ELHS was host to five such intrepid travelers: Aurelie Frydman from France, Staffan Kallback from Sweden, Karla Arambula from Columbia, and Brazilians Cristiano Hugentobler and Raphael Ferrari. They struggled to overcome the language barriers at first, but soon enough they were joining right in (and not only in conversations). Staff and Cristiano were standouts on the soccer team. Karla was a cheerleader fantastica, while Raphael stepped right in to the swim team and jazz band without missing a beat. Most impressive of all, Aurelie became so fluent in her adopted tongue that by the second marking period she had attained high honors.

There is a saying that "bad pennies come back again and again", but as our good friends return to their home at year's end, our sincerest hope is that they will visit us as early and as often as possible.

Once Upon A . . .

DREAM

dream n.1. a sequence of sensations, images, thoughts, etc. passing through a sleeping person's mind. 2. a fanciful vision of the conscious mind; daydream; fantasy; reverie. 3. a fond hope or aspiration.

True DREAMERS are always ready to hit the hay.

One dream I've had for a long time is to one day become a successful pediatrician. Since I've always loved children and wanted to become a doctor, this seemed like a logical choice. I've worked in hospitals and done science programs to better myself. I like helping people and watching them get better. Traveling and seeing the world is another dream of mine. I'm very interested in different cultures and ways of life. I'd like to be exposed to as much as possible. I hope that one day my dream will come true. -Johari Curtis

Good health and happiness are often taken for granted. If I were to fulfill my dream, I would become a pediatric occupational therapist. This career will enable me to help less fortunate children become stronger and more self confident. After my career is stable, I would like to start a family and someday travel to Europe. -Julie Bareiss

DREAMS and schemes and circus crowds, I've looked at life that way.

When I was young I used to dream . . .
Some say dreams are idealist parallels to reality,
I say they are reality waiting to happen.
A dream, standing alone,
Means little next to the path to touch it.
So many little things I'd like to see, to do . . .
Ride cross-country on horseback,
Walk in space, own a castle.
The path reveals itself with every step.
Uphill or down, tread with confidence.
I never stopped dreaming and I never will.
-Jeffery T. Alcorn

Two DREAMERS are better than one.

Everyone has a dream. It might be a dream f success, fame, or money. Imagine yourself hirty years from now. I picture myself at my ream job, physical therapy. I have a dream to elp people. By becoming a physical therapist, will be rehabilitating people who have been accidents. Whether we look into the future en or thirty years, right now we have all the me in the world to make our dreams come ue. As I said before, everyone has a dream, ut everyone's dream is different. -Lis urkowski

"Is she winking at me?" In your DREAMS!

Fridge of DREAMS.

I dream for the future, but I live for today! Day by day I work to achieve my goal of success, happiness, health, and much more, all while living life to the fullest. Knowing that I have come this far in my life, working hard to complete high school, makes me more confident as I take my next step. I've always dreamed of being a leader, a compassionate nurse, an inspiration to people, and I also dream of worldwide unity, love, happiness, peace, diversity, and respect. When my life is over I want to look back and say, "Hey, I had a great life! I made it, overcoming all obstacles, and actually enjoyed it." -Sophia Lopez

For twelve years I've dreamed of my inevitable emancipation from the East Longmeadow Public School System and of growing up and getting out to the "real world". Now I realize that I've been there all along. Maybe it's not exactly what I want it to be, but here in this obscure little Western Mass town are friends, neighbors, enemies, and life. It's not New York City or Los Angeles, but when I'm far away and dreaming about coming home, this is it. -Corinne Luce

My dream for the future is the same dream that I've had ever since I can remember. I hope to earn grees in both mechanical engineering and medicine and go on to become a successful surgeon of me sort, either general or specialized. I cannot see myself with a family, instead I envision myself ing in Utah or Colorado, devoting most of my time to work. In addition to my job, I hope to have any close friends, yet still keep in touch with those I have already made. I have a good feeling that nancially I'll be comfortable enough to pursue the adventures I wish. -Dan Desilets

Let me sleep and DREAM of a world without plywood.

Once Upon A . . .

DREAM

My dream for the future is to be healthy, happy, and successful. After graduatior from a four year nursing program, I hope to become a nurse or midwife and share in the joys of parenthood with my patients. I would like to do my part in the educatior of young people to help lower the number of teen pregnancies. I hope to stay in the area, get married, and raise a family. -Sarah Ennaco

Dreams are everlasting hopes you have dreamed from the first time of conception until the day you die. Whatever you dream of becoming, you can make it a reality, no matter how many times you change your dream. From the time I started school, I dreamed of being a teacher, a doctor, an astronaut, and now a lawyer. Seeking a higher education is giving me a chance to make my dream into a reality. Even if I change my dream. -Zakiyyah Amiss

Did you ever have that DREAM where you're falling?

I always dream . . . but I never ge my hopes up, in fear I'll be let down I am dying to go to college and mee people from across the country anc the world. I see this as an opportunity to learn more about myself and be enriched by other's lives. I'd love to be a psychologist, so that I can help others. I want to work hard in the future, but I also want to enjoy my self. I want to travel to other countrie and experience different cultures There are so many new things to do and while I'm alive, why not try ev erything? -Laura Vangsness

My dreams for the future are pretty basic. I'd like to go to college and get the knowledge I need to get a good job and be able to support my family comfortably. I plan on having a couple of kids, raising them to be just like me, and sending them to ELHS. Watch out Mr. Mazz - just when you thought you'd seen the last of me!! -Dave Nadle

In January, Spartanum is still a DREAM.

Is it a DREAM or a reality?

The only thing I really want to be in the uture is happy. I think we all do. For me this neans going to college and getting my naster's degree in music education. If I am ever really going to be as happy as I would ike, then I feel it will be through music. I don't know what it feels like to take a group of complete strangers at the beginning of he year and try to make them into a musical ensemble. I can dream about it though. In ny mind I can envision every note played, very mistake corrected, and every sound produced. It's magical, that's the only word can think of for it. The look on each face n the band that I see when they finish the piece that they gave one hundred percent to, s indescribable. But it feels good . . . and hat is what I want. -Ben Twyeffort

n I awake from a long night of DREAMING, I always have bled eggs.

When I was little I dreamed of a crystal palace all of my own. Now that I'm grown, I still have many dreams for the future. I dream of graduating from college and getting my master's degree. I dream of being a fashion designer in New York City, or reporting the big games on ESPN. Like everybody, I dream of becoming rich and famous and having no worries for the rest of my life. But these are far off dreams right now. My dreams at present are graduating from high school, having a great summer, and going to college in the fall. I hope that the next four years will be as good or better than these past four years. I hope that all of the Class of '96 fulfills all their dreams for the future and good luck to all. -Amanda Berard

As a child, my major concerns were planning my birthday party and the costume I would wear on Halloween. Upon graduating from ELHS, my priorities are a college education and career aspirations. My priorities have varied throughout my life but my dreams of traveling the world, having a challenging and successful career, health, and happiness have remained the same. While undecided in my field of career, I know that experiencing all that interests me will help in achieving my goals. By studying abroad in college, I hope to gain knowledge and build independence and character. -Courtney Fratar

As children, we all had plans of what we would like to do with our future. Some of us wanted to be firemen, teachers, or other people that we idolized as we grew. As we continued with our ever changing and advancing lives, our dreams advanced with us. But as we as a class move on into our future, what may happen to us is still very much uncertain. Only we as individuals can determine what will happen in our lives. What we choose to do with our future is very much our own decision. It is a decision we will have to live with for the rest of our lives. Whatever you as an individual choose to do as the great expanse of life proceeds in front of you, make sure it is something you will enjoy, and always follow your dreams. -Daniel Geer

I've always DREAMED of attending Barron's Hair Dressing Academy.

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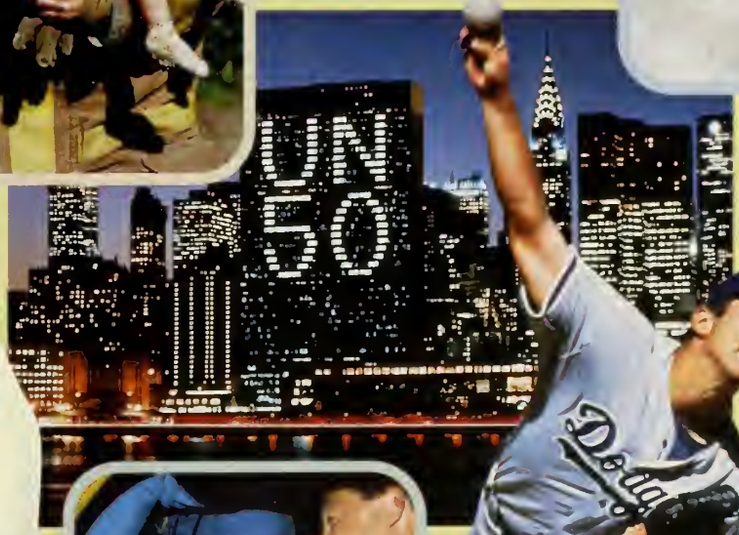


world news

G. Korganow, Gamma/Liaison

French transportation workers strike against their government throughout the month of December, shutting down the airlines and the metro system, after France increases the retirement age from 50 to 55 and lengthens the work week from 37 to 39 hours in efforts to cut spending.

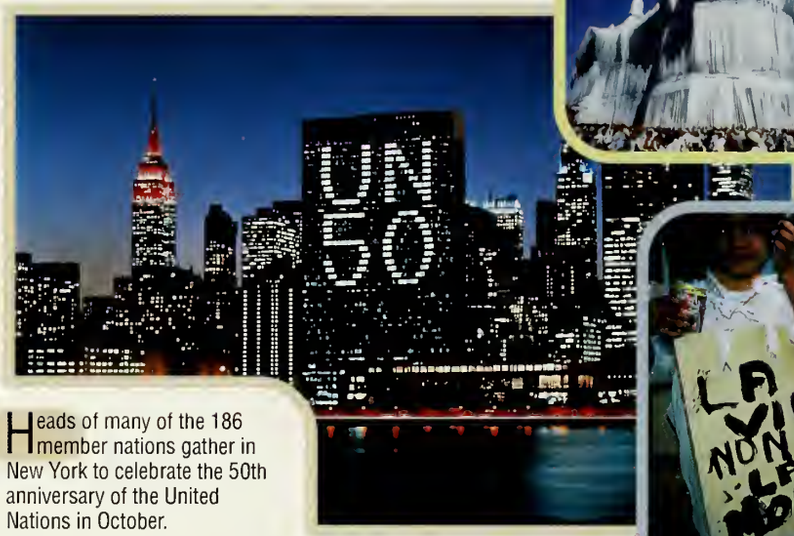
AP/Wide World

Reuters/Archive Photo

Pope John Paul II visits New Jersey, New York and Maryland, and addresses the United Nations. He speaks out on social, economic, political and moral themes.

Wrap artist Christo creates "Wrapped Reichstag" for the city of Berlin by covering the former home of the German parliament with one million square feet of silver fabric in June.

In late May, a doctor performs emergency surgery aboard British Airways flight 32 using a coat hanger, a knife and fork, and a scissors sterilized in brandy to save a woman whose life is threatened by a collapsed lung.

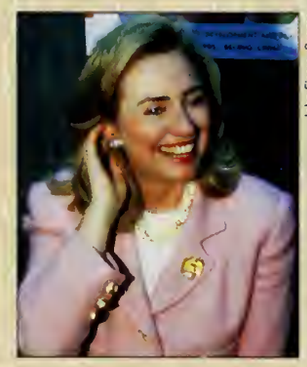


Heads of many of the 186 member nations gather in New York to celebrate the 50th anniversary of the United Nations in October.

Schneider Pool from Gamma/Liaison

Philippe Giraud, Sygma

Tahitian protests escalate into riots after France detonates a nuclear test device 750 miles from the South Pacific island. France's September resumption of tests after a three-year moratorium brings global condemnation.



John Ficara, Sygma

In a powerful address to the U.N.'s Fourth World Conference on Women in Beijing, China, attended by 30,000 women from 180 countries, U.S. First Lady Hillary Rodham Clinton declares, "Women's rights are human rights," to a desk-thumping, applauding audience.

Dan Dean, Gamma/Liaison

Shock waves hit the Middle East when Israeli Prime Minister Yitzhak Rabin is shot and killed while leaving a peace rally in Tel Aviv November 4. His murderer, Jewish extremist Yigal Amir, fanatically opposes peace negotiations with the Palestine Liberation Organization.

AP/Wide World

Marxist Cuban President Fidel Castro abandons his Havana cigar and military fatigues for a suit and tie on a diplomatic visit to New York in October, where he tries to convince the U.S. to lift its 33-year-old trade embargo on still-communist Cuba.

JUI Press/AFP from Bettmann

Madman Shoko Asahara, leader of the Japanese apocalyptic religious cult, Aum Shinrikyo, is arrested on May 16 and charged with the Tokyo subway nerve-gas attack that left 12 people dead and injured 5,500 more in March.

Fifty years after the end of World War II, Japan remembers those killed by the atomic bomb dropped on Hiroshima. A solitary building left standing after the blast, now a memorial called the Atomic Bomb Dome, symbolizes the horrors of war and the price of peace.

flash

n earthquake kills 51 people on the resort-studded Pacific ast of Mexico. The quake easures 7.5 on the Richter ale and is felt 330 miles away Mexico City.

AP/Wide World

J. Ficara, Sygma

The first U.S. president to visit Northern Ireland, President Clinton receives a warm Christmas welcome for his show of support for peace between Irish Protestants and Catholics.

Hurricane Marilyn inflicts millions of dollars of damage in the Virgin Islands in September. Winds up to 127 miles per hour severely damage half the homes on St. Thomas.

G. Williams, Gamma/Liaison

AP/Wide World

Hope blooms for peace in Bosnia when Bosnia's President Izetbegovic (left) shakes hands with Serbia's President Milosevic on the opening day of the November cease-fire talks in Dayton, Ohio. Croatia's President Tudjman looks on. The ensuing Paris peace agreement of December sends 60,000 NATO peacekeeping troops to the war-torn country.

In November, the Republic of Ireland narrowly passes a referendum calling for an end to the country's 1937 constitutional ban on divorce.

While competing in an international balloon race in September, two hot air balloonists, one English and one American, are shot down when their balloon floats off course over Belarus. The Belarussian army sees the balloon as a security threat and fires without warning. The balloonists fall to their death.

More than four years after Desert Storm, Iraq's President Saddam Hussein remains in power, though two of his sons-in-law defect to Jordan on August 8 and call for Hussein's overthrow.

Brooks Kraft, Sygma

ebec, Canada's largely French-aking province, defeats an ober referendum on Quebec ependence by a margin of s than one percent.

Thomas Renaud, Gamma/Liaison

In July, without public explanations, Burma's military rulers free the country's most famous political prisoner, Daw Aung San Suu Kyi, leader of the pro-democracy movement and Nobel peace laureate, after six years of house arrest.

Clive Brunskill, Allsport

Russian figure skater Sergei Grinkov, 28, collapses and dies from a heart attack during practice with his wife-partner Ekaterina Gordeeva on November 20. The pair won two Olympic gold medals and four world pairs titles.

Gamma/Liaison

Great Britain's Princess Diana shocks Buckingham Palace with a tell-all BBC interview. Defying royal protocol, she discusses her marriage to unfaithful husband, Prince Charles, her struggle with depression and bulimia, and an extramarital affair. The majority of English people express their support and sympathy.

AP/Wide World

Securities trader Nicholas Leeson is arrested in Germany in March 1995 for fraud, forgery, and breach-of-trust. Leeson racked up a $1.32 billion loss that caused the collapse of Barings PLC, the 233-year-old British bank.

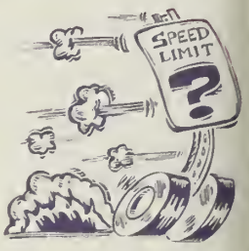
national news

A San Francisco sewer line bursts under pressure from battering rainstorms, creating a monster sinkhole that swallows a $2-million house in the Sea Cliff district. One-hundred-mile-per-hour winds knock out power to tens of thousands of homes and nearly blow a truck off the Bay Bridge.

Brant Ward, *San Francisco Chronicle*/Gamma/Liaison

Three days of drenching rains in the Pacific Northwest swell rivers to overflowing, causing severe flooding in Washington in December. In the town of Carnation, a pastor conveys a woman to dry land with a wheelbarrow.

AP/Wide World



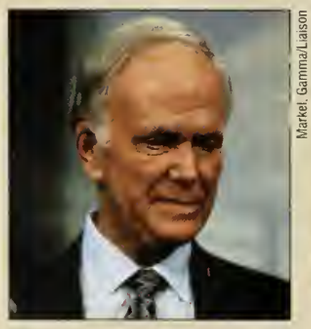
The federal government repeals the national 55-mile-per-hour highway speed limit, enacted in 1974 during the oil embargo. The legislation allows states to se their own limits. On Montana highways, speed limits are eliminated completely.

African-American men from across the country converge on Washington, D.C., for the Million Man March on October 16. The march, led by Nation-of-Islam minister Louis Farrakhan, promotes African-American unity, dignity, and family values.

Larry Downing, Sygma

AFP/Bettmann

Air Force Captain Scott O'Grady (right) is rescued from pursuing Bosnian Serb forces by U.S. Marines on June 8, six days after his plane is shot down over Bosnia. O'Grady survived on insects, plants, and rainwater.



Markel, Gamma/Liaison

U.S. Senator Bob Packwood of Oregon resigns on September 7, the day after the Senate Ethics Committee voted unanimously to expel him for sexual misconduct, embarrassingly detailed in his diaries, which were made public.

AP/Wide World

The nation comes to a standstill on October 3 as more than 150 million people watch live TV coverage of the outcome of the nine-month-long trial of the century. After less than four hours of deliberation, the jury finds former football star O.J. Simpson not guilty of the murders of his ex-wife Nicole and her friend Ronald Goldman.

Scott Olson, Sipa Press

Illinois suffers a record heat wave in July, with temperatures as high as 104°. The heat takes the lives of 457 people statewide. At Wrigley Stadium, Jaime Navarro helps faithful Chicago Cubs fans stay cool.

Gifford, Gamma/Liaison

After a year of fame as a conservative revolutionary, Speaker of the House Newt Gingrich slumps in popularity, tainted by the government shutdown, his stalled Contract With America, and investigations into his political action committee and his financial affairs.

Two-thousand volunteer firefighters battle a raging wildfire in eastern Long Island, New York, for three days in August. The fire, following a 21-day drought, consumes 5,500 acres of pine barrens and damages a dozen homes. There are no injuries or fatalities.

'he image of firefighter Chris Fields holding one-year-old Baylee Almon, who later dies, mes to symbolize the horror of the April 19 mbing of the Oklahoma City Federal ilding that killed 150 adults and 19 children.

Charles H. Porter, IV, Sygma

As more Americans invest, Wall Street enjoys a bull market. In November, the Dow-Jones Industrial Average hits 5000, a milestone indicating healthy corporate profits and low interest rates.

Zielenbach, *Chicago Tribune* from Gamma/Liaison

On April 30, the adoptive parents of four-year-old "Baby Richard" comply with an Illinois court order to turn the child over to his biological parents.

AP/Wide World

The government shuts down for six days in November after the President and Congress fail to agree on how to balance the federal budget. The shutdown affects non-essential federal services, including the National Park Service. A longer shutdown follows in December.

flash

Despite Americans' doubts and fears, U.S. troops head for Bosnia in December. The 20,000 U.S. forces, serving under NATO command beside 40,000 European allies, face the task of keeping peace among the country's warring Serbs, Croats and Muslims.

The State of South Carolina sentences Susan Smith to life in prison for the drowning murder of her two young sons in 1994.

An anonymous donor sends St. Jude's Children's Research Hospital in Memphis $1 million in the form of a winning ticket from McDonald's November "Monopoly" sweepstakes game.

In the wake of a growing number of random attacks from assailants with knives and guns, White House security is forced to close Pennsylvania Avenue to traffic.

After allegedly ignoring federal pollution regulations for years, General Motors agrees under threat of an $11-million fine to recall 500,000 Cadillacs at a cost of $45 million.

AP/Wide World

ecord snowfall paralyzes the st Coast in January 1996, anding travelers and killing 0 people. Seven states, from ginia to Massachusetts, clare emergencies. iladelphia gets 30.7 inches snow.

AP/Wide World

Warren E. Burger, Chief Justice of the U.S. Supreme Court from 1969 to 1986, dies in June at age 87. Though appointed by President Richard Nixon, he ordered Nixon to turn over tapes in the Watergate hearings that effectively ended the president's career.

AP/Wide World

The Washington Post publishes a manifesto written by the unidentified killer known as "The Unabomber," at large since 1978 and wanted for 16 mail bombs that have killed 3 and injured 23. FBI agents scrutinize the article for clues to the bomber's identity.

AP/Wide World

A Chicago commuter train slams into the back end of a loaded school bus. The accident, allegedly caused by a poorly timed stoplight placed too near the tracks, kills 7 students and injures 28 on October 25.

Bettmann Archive

American women celebrate the 75th anniversary of the 19th amendment to the U.S. Constitution, which granted women the right to vote. Women's suffrage leader Susan B. Anthony (1820-1906) first organized the fight for suffrage in 1848.

science news

Wubbo De Jong/Het Parool from Sygma

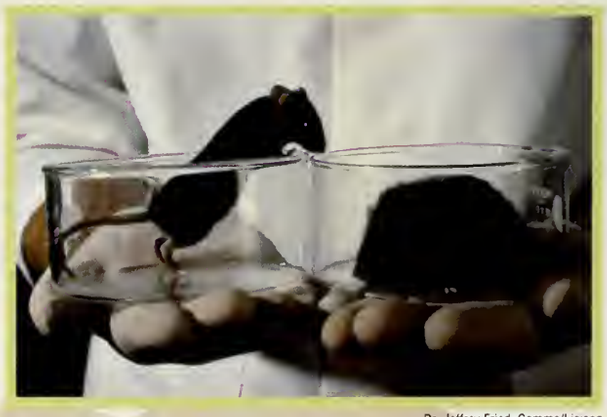
As the result of an improperly cleaned test tube at a fertility clinic, a woman in the Netherlands gives birth to twin boys, each from a different father.

NASA

A stunning photograph from the Hubble Space Telescope captures a moment in the birth of a star in the Eagle Nebula, 7,000 light years from Earth. Light from the young star's nuclear furnace lifts towering pillars of hydrogen gas and interstellar dust.

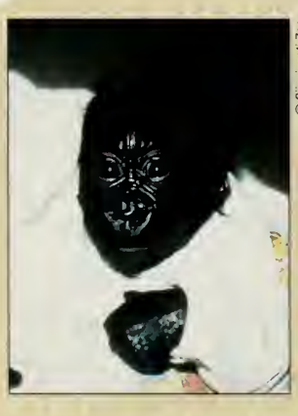
AP/Wide World

Archaeologists discover a 3,000-year-old tomb in May that is believed to hold the remains of 52 sons of Ramses II, Pharaoh of Egypt.



Dr. Jeffrey Fried, Gamma/Liaison

Researchers announce that they have isolated a gene in mice linked to obesity. Mice with a mutated OB gene are injected with the hormone leptin, resulting in dramatic weight loss. The public is tantalized at the prospect of leptin as a slimming treatment for use in humans.



© Cincinnati Zoo

The world's first test-tube gorilla is born at the Cincinnati Zoo in October as part of an effort to save the western lowland gorilla, an endangered species that numbers fewer than 450 animals.

AP/Wide World

Fossils of a jawbone (left) and leg bone (right) found in Kenya in August reveal a previously unknown species of upright hominid that lived four million years ago, pushing the emergence of bipedalism back half a million years. Walking upright is a key adaptation that separates humans from apes.

Val Mazzenga/Chicago Tribune

Media attention focuses on melatonin, a naturally occurring hormone used to induce sleep and slow the effects of aging. Lauded as a wonder drug, a kilogram of synthetic melatonin sells for as much as $10,000.

AP/ Wide World

In a procedure known as tissue engineering, scientists grow a human ear under the skin of a laboratory mouse. Researchers hope the procedure will play an important role in the future of transplant surgery.

As a protective measure against counterfeiting in the era of digital publishing, the Treasury Department redesigns U.S. currency bills, to be issued over the next five years, starting early 1996 with the new $100 bill.

flash

Former rivals in space become comrades in space after the historic docking of the U.S. space shuttle *Atlantis* and Russia's *Mir* space station on June 29. Astronaut Robert Gibson (in red) greets cosmonaut Vladimir Dezhurov.

NASA

In June, volcanic eruptions give birth to a baby island. A new member of the Tonga Islands emerges near New Zealand, 900 feet high and 140 feet wide.

AP/Wide World

Gamma/Liaison

The movie *Apollo 13* opens in the summer after filming many of its scenes inside NASA's "zero gravity" plane, which mimics the weightlessness astronauts experience in space by diving into a 23-second freefall.

A. Tannenbaum, Sygma

Buyers rush to stores for the new computer operating system Windows 95, spurred by Microsoft Corp.'s $700-million publicity barrage and the promise of a friendlier interface.

After a decade-long search, scientists isolate what may be the most important cancer-related gene. The defective gene known as ATM is associated with cancers of the breast, colon, lung, stomach, pancreas and skin, and may be carried by two million Americans.

Astronomers using the Hubble Space Telescope observe new moons orbiting the planet Saturn, adding at least 2 moons and possibly 4 to Saturn's previously known total of 18.

A team of French and British explorers believe they have found an ancient breed of horse previously unknown to scientists. In November, the four-foot high horse with a triangular head, which resembles the vanished horses of European Stone Age drawings, is named Riwoche for its home region in Tibet.

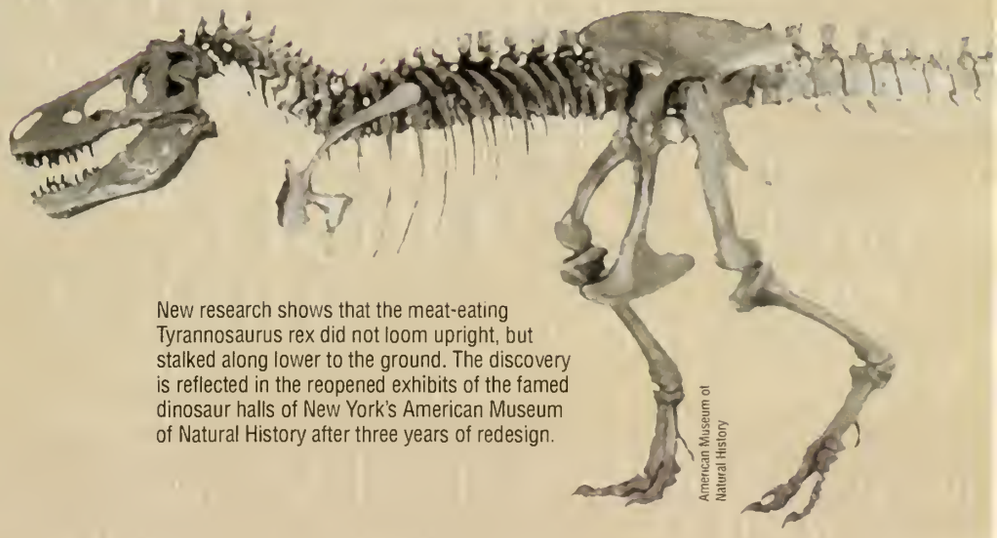
October satellite photographs show the recent rapid deterioration of the earth's ozone layer above Antarctica. Pollutants produced mostly by the U.S. cause the hole in the atmosphere's protective layer to increase to the size of Europe.

VISA International

In November, Visa introduces a cash-storage card that eliminates a pocketful of loose change. A chip in the plastic card tracks the amount of available cash, which is accessed with a reader at the place of purchase. The card can be taken to the bank and reloaded.

Nintendo of America

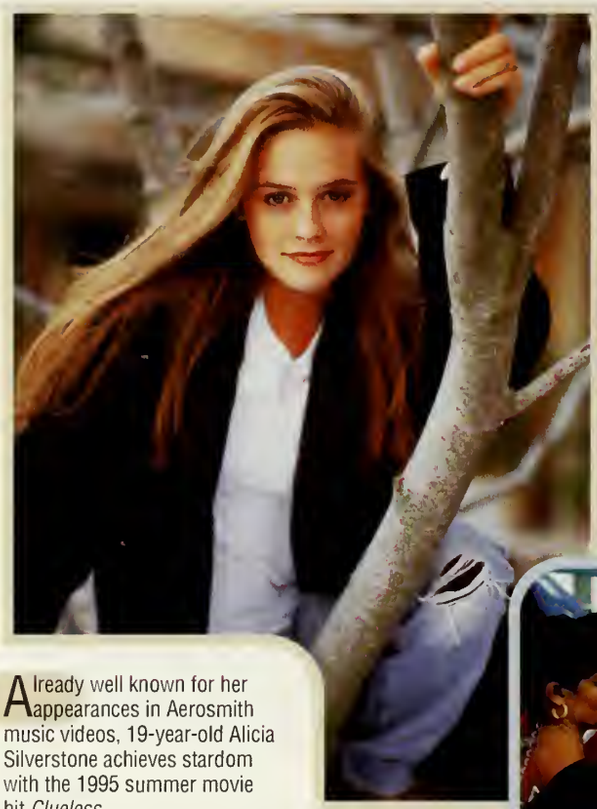
Now virtual reality comes in a handy travel size with Nintendo's latest, Virtual Boy, a portable 3-D video-game system with stereophonic sound.



New research shows that the meat-eating Tyrannosaurus rex did not loom upright, but stalked along lower to the ground. The discovery is reflected in the reopened exhibits of the famed dinosaur halls of New York's American Museum of Natural History after three years of redesign.

American Museum of Natural History

faces in the news



Already well known for her appearances in Aerosmith music videos, 19-year-old Alicia Silverstone achieves stardom with the 1995 summer movie hit *Clueless*.

Dana Fineman, Sygma

J.L. Bulcao, Gamma/Liaison

With $150,000 saved during her 75 hardworking years as a washerwoman, Oseola McCarty establishes a scholarship fund for African-American students at the University of Southern Mississippi. For her selflessness, she is awarded the Presidential Citizens Medal.

Pamela Lee of "Baywatch" fame and husband Tommy Lee, Motley Crüe drummer, are the life of the party this year, frequently caught by the press engaging in public displays of affection.

Bill Jordan, *Charleston Post Courier* from Sipa Press

Trailblazer Shannon Faulkner (hand to head) withdraws from the Citadel after collapsing during "hell week." Faulkner singlehandedly attempted to bust the gender barrier at the all-male South Carolina military institution.

Frank Capri/Saga from Archive Photos

Millions of Americans tune in to Martha Stewart's TV show, subscribe to her magazine, and read her books. The popular cooking and home-decorating entrepreneur builds an empire by packaging a distinctive American nostalgic style.

Marc Deville, Gamma/Liaison

Bill Gates, founder and chairman of the computer giant Microsoft, becomes the wealthiest man in the world on the success of his company's software. His book *The Road Ahead* hits *The New York Times* best-seller list.

Ron Davis, Shooting Star

Hot actor Antonio Banderas falls in love with another screen sex-symbol Melanie Griffith during the filming of *Two Much*. Banderas will co-star with Madonna in the film version of *Evita* and will star in Steven Spielberg-produced *Zorro*.

Yoram Kahana, Shooting Star

Seventies superstar John Travolta's motion-picture comeback in the 1994 hit *Pulp Fiction* continues with starring roles in *Get Shorty* and *Broken Arrow*.

Sandra Bullock follows up her star-making role in *Speed* with the gentle romance *While You Were Sleeping*. Bullock's fresh, wholesome image earns her an "Entertainer of the Year" nomination from *Entertainment Weekly* magazine.

America is disappointed in its high hopes for Colin Powell's 1996 presidential candidacy. At the close of his whirlwind book tour for *My American Journey*, the General and his wife Alma announce in November that he will not seek the Republican nomination.

Pete Souza, Gamma/Liaison

Stand-up comic and sitcom star Ellen DeGeneres makes the best-seller list with her book *My Point...And I Do Have One.*

Sandra Johnson, Retna

AP/Wide World

Christopher Reeve, in a wheelchair and hooked up to a portable respirator, appears with his wife, Dana, at the American Paralysis Association's annual gala on November 9, less than five months after a fall from a horse left him almost totally paralyzed.

AP/Wide World

A 10-year-old St. Louis schoolboy, Larry Champagne III, becomes a hero by taking control of his school bus after the driver suffered a stroke. Champagne is later awarded a $10,000 scholarship by the bus company.

flash

Calvin Klein's provocative CK Jeans campaign causes an uproar in August, bringing nasty headlines, threats of retailer boycotts and an FBI investigation. The scandal only seems to help sales.

Michael Jackson and Lisa Marie Presley announce their divorce almost a year after their surprise marriage. The tabloids have a field day speculating about the reasons for the marriage (was it a cold-hearted career move?) as well as the causes for the break-up (was he after Elvis' fortune?).

***Breaking the Surface*, the autobiography of Greg Louganis, former U.S. Olympic gold-medal diver who revealed earlier that he has AIDS, debuts at No. 2 on the best-seller list.**

Popcorn magnate Orville Redenbacher, who transformed popping corn into a gourmet item, dies on September 19 from heart failure.

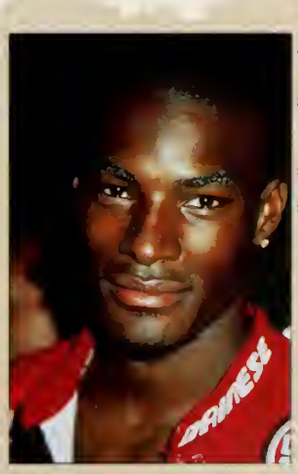
Two Chinese women set a new Guiness world record in November by living in a room for 12 days with 888 poisonous snakes. The previous world record, set in Singapore in 1987, was 10 days with 200 snakes.

Marissa Roth, LGI

ctress Demi Moore becomes ie highest paid woman in ollywood, able to command 12.5 million per movie, even fter this year's flop at the box ffice *The Scarlet Letter*, loosely ased on Hawthorne's classic.

Tim Mosenfelder, LGI

Favorite of America's heartland for his *You Might Be A Redneck If...* jokes, Georgia-born stand-up comic and author Jeff Foxworthy gets his own ABC sitcom in which he plays himself.



Nancy Kaszerman, Shooting Star

Model Beckford Tyson, singled out by Ralph Lauren for his all-American looks, signs an exclusive contract with the fashion designer in 1995.

AP/Wide World

Miss Oklahoma Shawntel Smith is crowned Miss America on September 16. During the broadcast of the 75th pageant, viewers phone in their votes to retain the swimsuit competition.

Kurt Viavant, Sipa Press

John F. Kennedy, Jr., is cofounder and editor-in-chief of *George*, a glossy new magazine covering American politics. Hounded all his life by the press, Kennedy joins their ranks, contributing a feature interview to each issue.

entertainment news

Sygma

Batman Forever, with Val Kilmer in the title role and Chris O'Donnell as Robin, becomes the third Batman movie and the summer's top-grossing film.

United Artists from Shooting Star

The fifth actor to play 007 in the enduring film series begun in the 1960s, Pierce Brosnan abandons his Aston Martin for a BMW Z3 Roadster in *Goldeneye*, the latest and, some say, best James Bond movie.

Three 1995 movies bring Jane Austen classics to the silver screen: *Clueless*, based on Austen's novel *Emma*, and *Sense and Sensibility* and *Persuasion*.

Disney Pictures from Shooting Star

Disney Pictures continues its line of animated blockbusters with the Native American legend *Pocahontas*. The picture previews in New York's Central Park to an outdoor audience of 200,000.

M. Gerber, LGI

After an unpromising start, Conan O'Brien quietly gains popularity as host of NBC's "Late Night," a slot previously filled by David Letterman. Letterman's current show on CBS slowly loses viewers.

Yoram Kahana, Shooting Star

Whitney Houston stars in the December film release, *Waiting to Exhale*, adapted from Terry McMillan's best-selling novel about the lives of four middle-class African-American women. Houston sings the title song for the movie soundtrack, which enjoys brisk sales.

Ron Davis, Shooting Star

Denzel Washington, critically acclaimed for his performances in films *Crimson Tide* and *Devil in a Blue Dress*, receives highest praise from the City of Los Angeles, which honors him with the Martin Luther King, Jr., Award for his philanthropic work on behalf of children.

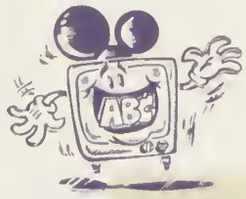
Bedford Falls from Shooting Star

Although ABC cancels her TV series "My So-Called Life," 17-year-old Claire Danes hits the big screen in *How to Make an American Quilt*, *To Gillian on Her 37th Birthday*, and *Romeo and Juliet* with Leonardo DiCaprio as her co-star.

In the suspense-thriller *Seven*, heartthrob Brad Pitt attracts a wide male audience with his performance as a detective on the trail of a serial killer whose murders are based on the seven deadly sins.

Jeff Katz, Gamma/Liaison

NBC's hospital drama "E.R." continues to draw high ratings throughout 1995 thanks to its dramatic realism and the appeal of handsome George Clooney (middle right), supermodel Cindy Crawford's latest date.



Disney Entertainment spends $19 billion to purchase the ABC television network in July.

Disney Pictures from Shooting Star

Toy Story is the world's first entirely computer-animated film. Released by Disney during the Christmas season, it features the voices of Tom Hanks, Tim Allen, and Don Rickles.

flash

MTV introduces "Singled Out," an over-the-top dating game show where contestants ask random, pointless questions of a crowd of suitors, sight unseen, until the zany answers have eliminated all but that one perfect love match.

According to a Roper Youth Poll, the two hottest TV shows among teens this season are the daytime soap "Days of Our Lives" and the evening soap "Melrose Place."

"The Jon Stewart Show," a late-night talk show aimed at Generation X, fails to catch on. During the final taping, host Stewart says, "To all those people who said my show wouldn't last, I have only one thing to say. Good call."

Sam Jones, Gamma/Liaison

Pacha, LGI

Jim Carrey earns $20 million for the starring role in the comedy *Ace Ventura: When Nature Calls*, a sequel to the extraordinarily popular *Ace Ventura: Pet Detective*.

The popular NBC TV series "Friends" returns for a second highly rated season. Its runaway success inspires less successful imitations by other networks.

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Ten years after creating the popular comic strip "Calvin and Hobbes," cartoonist Bill Watterson retires in December.

Steve Hill, LGI

Horror-fiction author Stephen King signs a deal with Signet books to release his upcoming story, *The Green Mile*, as a paperback series.

Fox from Shooting Star

Fox TV's "The X Files" stars David Duchovny as an FBI agent who investigates supernatural phenomena. The show becomes a surprise hit, giving millions of viewers reason to look forward to staying home on a Friday night.

Devoted fans will not be denied another season of NBC's sitcom "Seinfeld" after all. Creator Jerry Seinfeld decides to keep his "show about nothing" going for an eighth season.

AP/Wide World

music news

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John Chiasson, Gamma/Liaison

Their down-to-earth style and soulful pop songs make Hootie and the Blowfish popular favorites. Their debut album *Cracked Rear View* sells over 5 million, and the group is named Best New Artist at the MTV Music Awards in September.

Pacha, LGI

Blues Traveler emerge from the underground scene to widespread popularity with their album *Four* and the single "Run-Around."

Cleveland-based rap group Bone Thugs-n-Harmony vault to the top of the charts with some old-fashioned harmonizing on the album *E. 1999 Eternal.*

AP/Wide World

Yoko Ono and Little Richard join a host of celebrities at the opening of the glitzy Rock-and-Roll Hall of Fame and Museum in Cleveland on September 1.

John Bellissimo, LGI

Rocker Melissa Etheridge follows top-selling *Yes, I Am* with her fifth album, *Your Little Secret.*

Tim Mosenfelder, LGI

Twenty-year-old Canadian newcomer Alanis Morissette raises some eyebrows with her up-front, aggressive lyrics and attitudes. Nevertheless, her album *Jagged Little Pill* goes double platinum.

Fotex from Shooting Star

Sixties icon Jerry Garcia, guitarist of The Grateful Dead, dies of a heart attack on August 9 at age 53. Garcia's musical roots in blues, country and folk are apparent in hits like "Truckin'." Legions of Deadheads mourn his passing.

Todd Gray, LGI

Brandy, whose self-titled platinum album and single "I Wanna Be Down" hit high on the R&B charts, sweeps the first Soul Train Music Awards in August. The 16-year-old singer wins Best New Artist, among other awards.

Bettmann

Beatlemania returns in 1995 with ABC's six-hour documentary *The Beatles Anthology*, the video releases of *A Hard Day's Night* and *Help!* and the album collection *Anthology,* featuring previously unreleased material.

The chart-topping movie soundtrack *Dangerous Minds* features Coolio's rap anthem "Gangsta's Paradise," the number-one single of the year according to *Billboard* magazine.

Live dedicate their single "Lightning Crashes" to victims of the Oklahoma City bombing. The rock band's *Throwing Copper* album yields three hit singles; Billboard Music Awards names them Rock Artist of the Year.

Joe Giron, LGI

Mark Hauser, LGI

The Chicago-based rock band Smashing Pumpkins release their epic double album *Mellon Collie and the Infinite Sadness* to critical and public acclaim.

Ronnie Wright, LGI

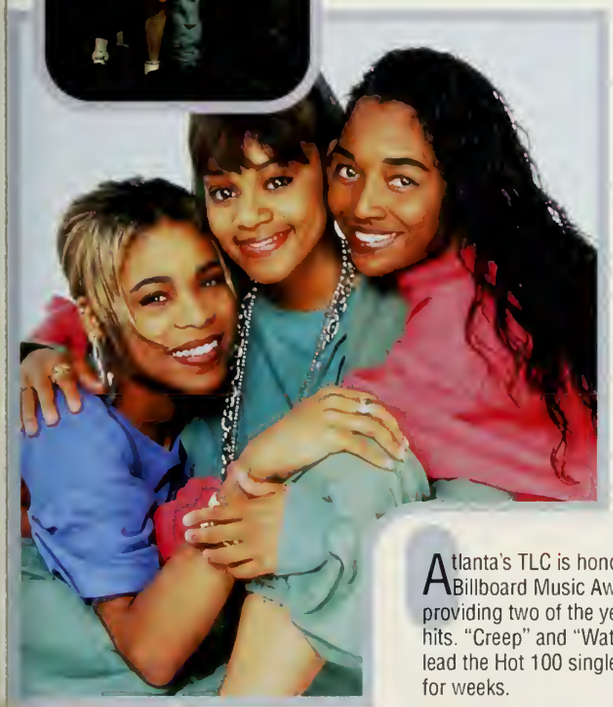
Mariah Carey's *Daydream* sells over 5 million copies, taking number-one spot on the *Billboard* album chart. Carey performs with Boyz II Men on the hit single "One Sweet Day."

flash

R.E.M.'s summer tour is interrupted by medical emergencies for three of the band's four members. The tour, their first in five years, is eventually completed with all members in good health.

In October, David Bowie and Nine Inch Nails wrap up the U.S. portion of Bowie's world tour. At each show, Bowie and Trent Reznor's band play a set together. In December, Bowie tours Europe with Morrissey as his opening act.

The Red Hot Chili Peppers tone down their trademark bawdiness in their newest album, *One Hot Minute*.



Jeffrey Scales, LGI

Atlanta's TLC is honored at the Billboard Music Awards for providing two of the year's biggest hits. "Creep" and "Waterfalls" both lead the Hot 100 singles charts for weeks.

Steve Double, Retna

Former Nirvana drummer Dave Grohl plays a new sound as guitarist and lead singer in the Foo Fighters, an alternative rock band that enjoys three singles off their self-titled debut album in 1995.

Ron Davis, Shooting Star

A hard-luck story turns into overnight success in the case of Canadian Shania Twain, born in poverty to an Irish mother and an Ojibway Indian father. Twain's 1995 hits include "Whose Bed Have Your Boots Been Under?," "Any Man of Mine" and the title tune to her 3-million-selling album *The Woman In Me*.

Steve Simons, Shooting Star

Success doesn't mellow the style of alternative rock band Green Day, who release their anxiously awaited fourth album *Insomniac*, their fastest and darkest album to date.

Steve Jennings, LGI

Seal's hit off the *Batman Forever* movie soundtrack, "Kiss From a Rose," is all over the summer playlists. The single propels the artist's self-titled album to the double-platinum mark.

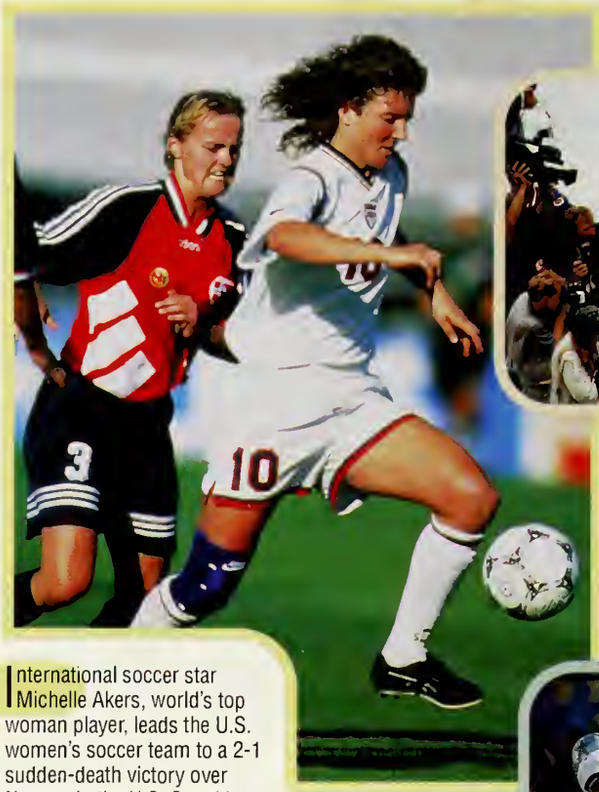
Marc Morrison, Shooting Star

With the record-setting sales of his album *Fresh Horses*, only three musical acts in U.S. history outsell country music icon Garth Brooks: the Beatles, the Eagles, and Billy Joel.

Smith, Gamma/Liaison

Selena, the 23-year-old Tejano music queen, is gunned down in Corpus Christi in March 1995 by Yolanda Saldivar, former president of her fan club. The July release of a collection of Selena's hits, *Dreaming of You*, sees some of the fastest sales in music history.

sports news

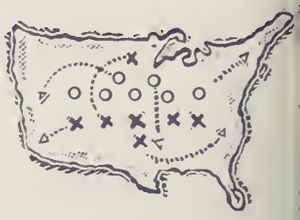


Chris Cole, Allsport

International soccer star Michelle Akers, world's top woman player, leads the U.S. women's soccer team to a 2-1 sudden-death victory over Norway in the U.S. Cup title game in August.

Focus on Sports

The New Jersey Devils win the National Hockey League's Stanley Cup, beating the heavily favored Detroit Red Wings in four straight games.



The most controversial moves are off the field this season as the Cleveland Browns NFL franchise announces its move to Baltimore and the Houston Oilers announce their move to Nashville.

Clark Campbell, Sipa Press

In May 1995, Peter Blake's Team New Zealand in "Black Magic 1" defeats Dennis Conner's team in "Young America" in the first 5-0 sweep in the 144-year history of the America's Cup.

AP/Wide World

In Super Bowl XXX, the heavily favored Dallas Cowboys beat the Pittsburgh Steelers 27-17. Dallas cornerback Larry Brown ices the game for the Cowboys with the second of his two interceptions, and is named MVP for his heroics.

David Taylor, Allsport

Jeff Gordon, 24, dominates the National Association for Stock Car Auto Racing's Winston Cup, winning 7 of NASCAR's 31 races and earning $4.3 million in 1995, a record for the sport.

AP/Wide World

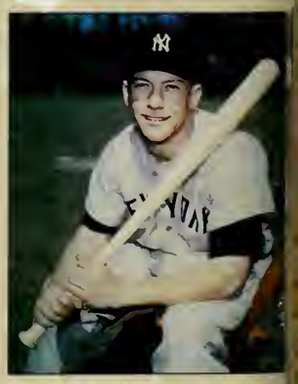
The University of Nebraska demolishes the University of Florida, 62-24, in the 1996 Fiesta Bowl to win their second consecutive national college football title and cap Cornhuskers coach Tom Osborne's 23rd season.

Reuters/Bettmann

The Houston Rockets, led by center Hakeem Olajuwon, win their second consecutive National Basketball Association championship in June, sweeping the series with the Orlando Magic in four games.

Steve Berman, Gamma/Liaison

Twenty-one-year-old tennis champ Monica Seles, returning to competitive play two years after being stabbed at a tournament in Germany, wins the 1995 Australian Open.



Hall-of-Famer Mickey Mantle, a switch-hitter and one of the great sluggers in baseball history, dies of cancer on August 13. Mantle hit 536 home runs in his 18-year career and compiled a lifetime batting average of .298.

flash

Vincent Laforet, Gamma/Liaison

The National Basketball Association fines the Chicago Bulls $25,000 when Michael Jordan wears his previously retired number 23 jersey for luck during championship playoffs against the Orlando Magic in May 1995.

Clive Brunskill, Allsport

German tennis star Steffi Graf, who won three of five Grand Slam titles in 1995, ends the professional tennis season ranked number one in the world.

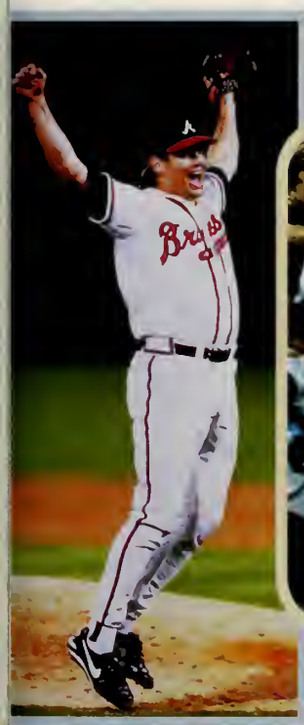
Former L.A. Lakers point guard Earvin "Magic" Johnson announces a return to basketball in January 1996. Johnson retired in 1991 when he discovered he was HIV positive.

The Northwestern University Wildcats—long a gridiron laughingstock—pile up ten victories in 1995 and go to the Rose Bowl for the first time since 1949.

In his first fight in four years, former world heavyweight champ Mike Tyson disposes of challenger Peter McNeeley in 89 seconds. Tyson, who in March finished a three-year jail term for a rape conviction, earns $25 million for the August boxing match.

Pete Sampras, winner of the 1995 men's singles championships at Wimbledon and the U.S. Open, ends the professional tennis season with a number-one world ranking.

The Atlanta Braves edge the Cleveland Indians 1-0 in game x to win the World Series on ctober 28. Closing pitcher Mark /ohlers leaps for joy.



Ric Stewart, Allsport

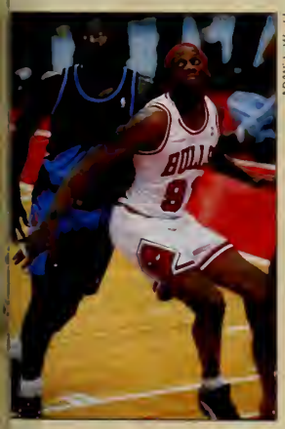
Doug Pensinger, Allsport

In September, Baltimore Orioles shortstop Cal Ripkin, Jr., achieves a record-setting 2,131 consecutive games.

National Basketball Association referees strike against the league for much of the autumn. Fill-in officials spark complaints of substandard refereeing.

Master of the sinking fastball and still learning to speak English, L.A. Dodgers pitcher Hideo Nomo, formerly with the Kintetsu Buffaloes in Japan, is named Rookie of the Year. Nomo is the second Japanese-born player to join the U.S. major leagues, and the first All-Star.

Jeff Christensen, Gamma/Liaison



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nown for his temperamental ersonality, his many tattoos and s aggressive playing style, asketball center Dennis odman (91) debuts with the hicago Bulls after his trade om the San Antonio Spurs.

Mike Powell, Allsport

For a record fifth straight time, Miguel Indurain of Spain wins the 22-day, 2,270-mile Tour de France, the world's premier bicycle race. On the 15th day of the race, Italian road-race champ Fabio Casartelli is killed in a seven-man crash.

Focus on Sports

Betsy King wins her 30th tournament on June 25 and gains entry to the Ladies' Professional Golf Association's Hall of Fame, one of the most difficult attainments in sports.

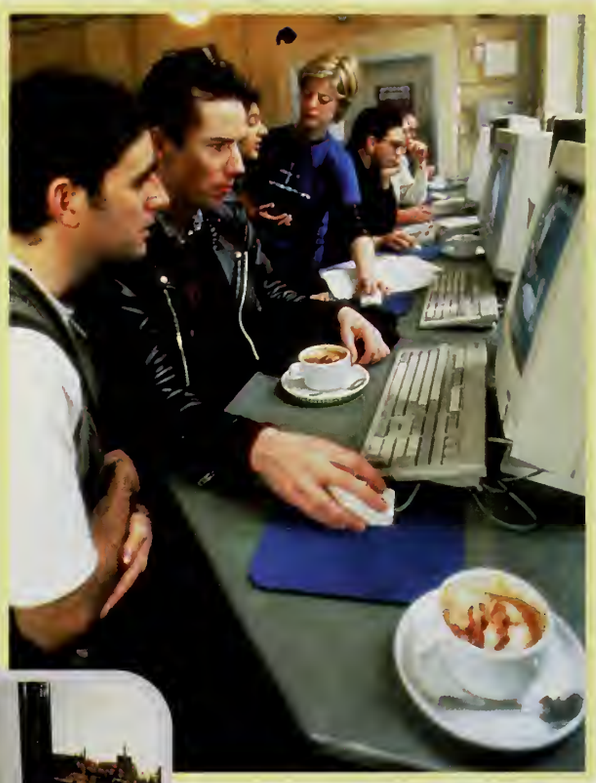
Scott Halleran, Allsport

Quarterback Dan Marino of the Miami Dolphins sets four lifetime passing records during the 1995 football season: 47,003 yards, 342 touchdowns, 3,686 completions and 6,467 attempts.

lifestyle news

The most recent fad in purses takes the form of small backpacks.

Designer water spreads to the pet world. Doting pet owners buy tuna-flavored bottled water for Fluffy and beef-flavored bottled water for Spot.



Mathieu Polak. Sygma

Diners are treated to variations on theme cafes, as Hard Rock Cafe is joined by Fashion Cafe, Planet Hollywood, Harley-Davidson Cafe, and London's Cyberia Cafe where patrons sip coffee and surf the Internet.

A first in the long, popular history of M&M's candies: a new blue M&M joins the colorful candy-coated mix.

Young people continue to follow the wide-leg jeans trend, forsaking tight jeans for a loose baggy fit.

The tattoo craze leads to some regrets, but recent laser developments keep people from being marked for life. Pulsed laser light, a different wavelength for each color in the tattoo, removes pigment without leaving scars.

Reuters/Archive Photos

Americans consume culture and history as attendance at America's 8,000 museums climbs to 600 million people per year, more than movie, theater, and sports attendance combined.

Logo-wear reaches a new level of sophistication. Among the reigning makers of athletic wear, only Nike can spark recognition without the use of its name.

Girly things enjoy a surge in popularity with young women, who wear baby barrettes, knee socks, tiny t-shirts, little jumpers, and funky Maryjanes, and kid around with "Hello Kitty" accessories.

Lynn Goldsmith, LGI

Taking her place among controversial talk-show hosts as the "Oprah for the junior set," Ricki Lake speaks to such concerns as, "Mom, when my boyfriend gets out of jail, I'm taking him back."

The angel message of "fear not" strikes a deep chord with Americans' yearning for spiritual growth and comfort in a stressful time. People enjoy angel collectibles, angel sites on the Internet, and angel books and magazines.

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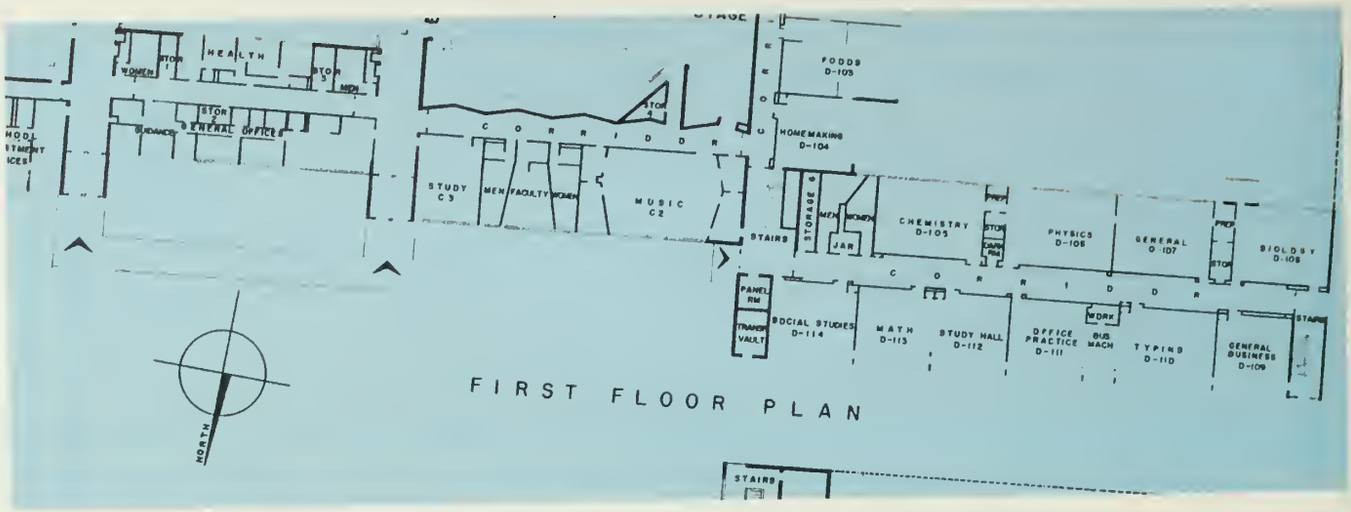

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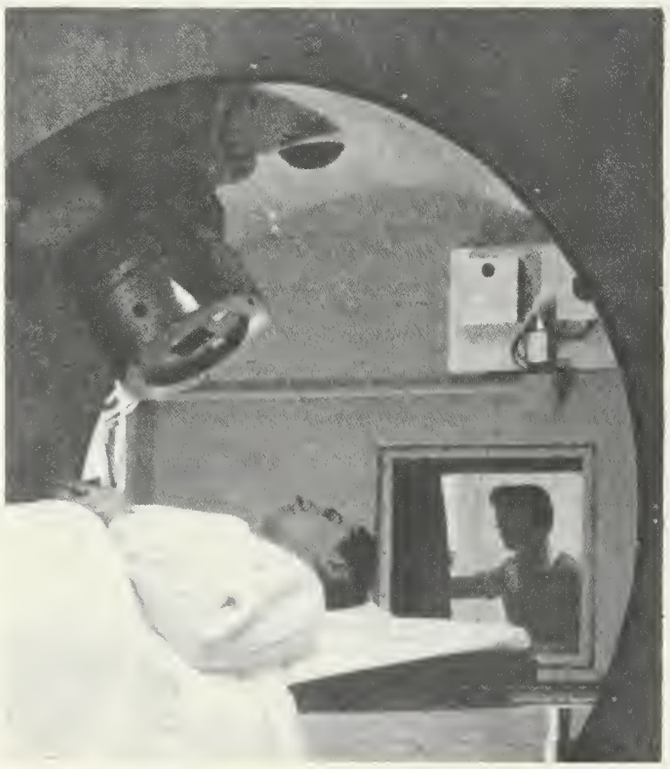

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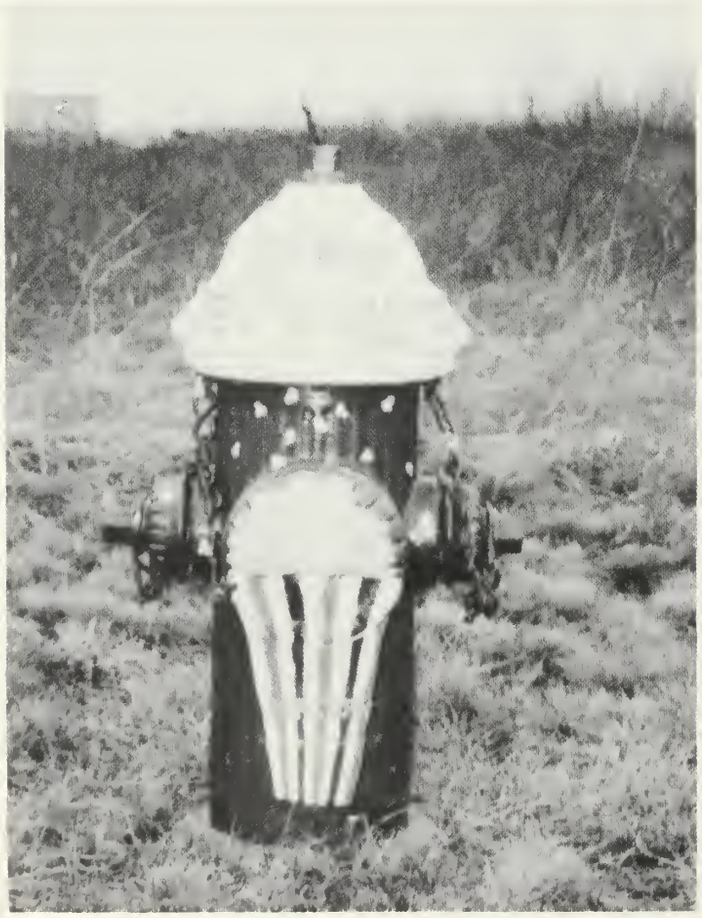

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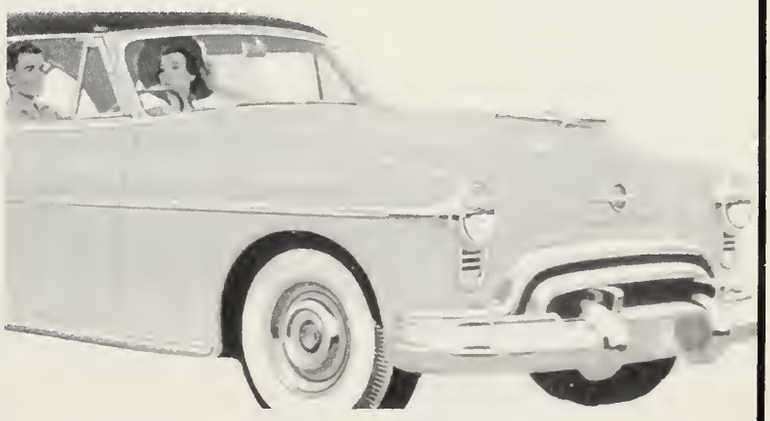

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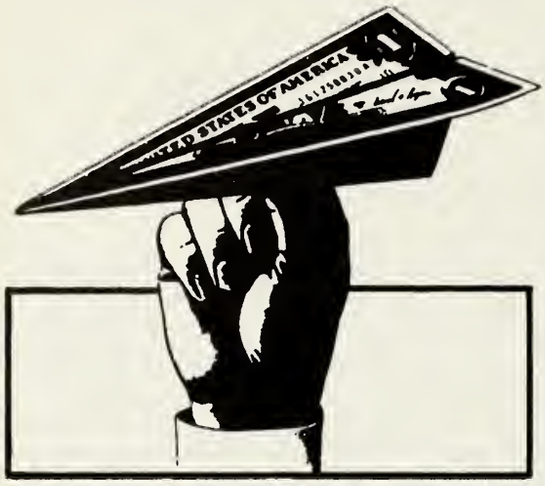

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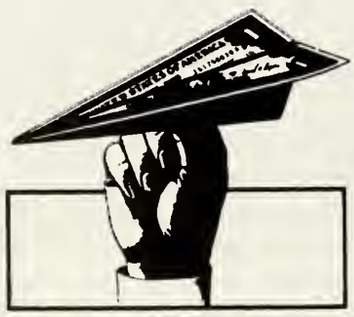

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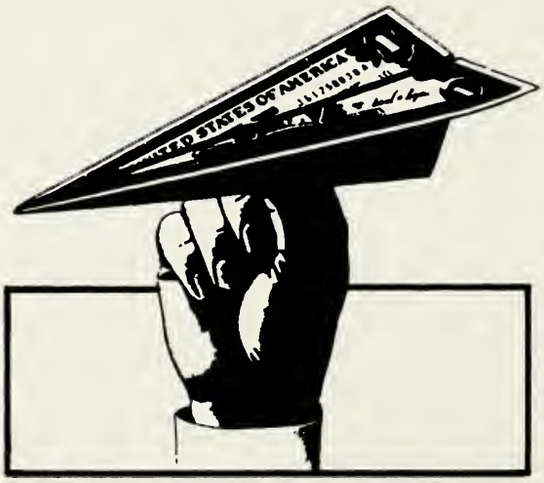

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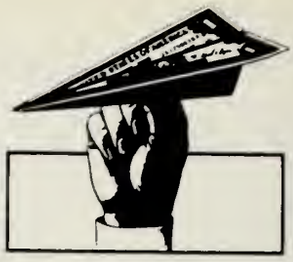

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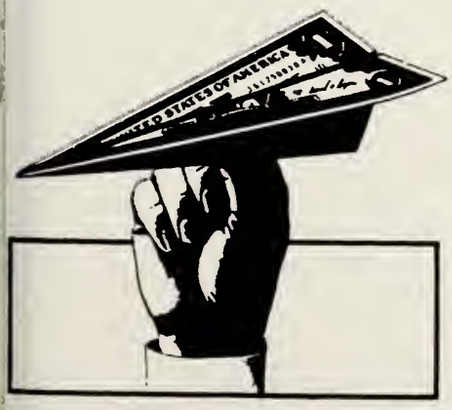

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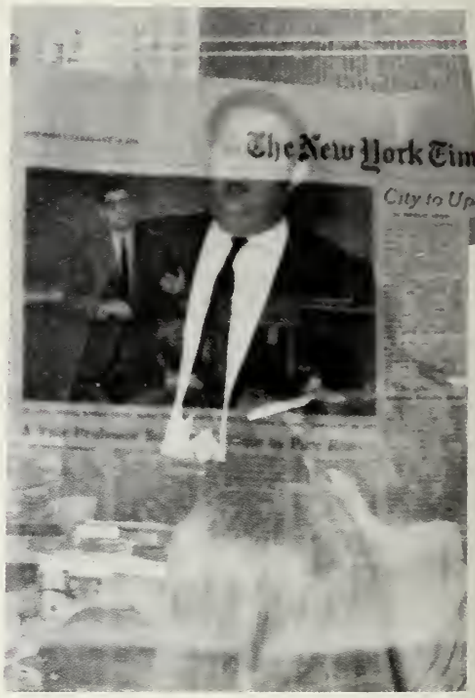

"I have had a dream past the wit of man to say what dream it was."

- Shakespeare, A Midsummer Night's Dream

We know the feeling, that sensation that you get when you're certain that you've experienced something unique, even if you're not quite sure what it was, or what it might mean in the end. In Shakespeare's classic, when Nick Bottom tried in vain to knit together the tattered threads of his fantastic dream, he knew already that it was all for naught. His dream was gone with the day. Ever since the passing of our friend Mr. Kerson, in the wee hours of a February night, we have found ourselves engaged in a similar pursuit, trying our best to comprehend exactly what happened while we were sleeping, and what it was that made him so special.

Just like a dream, Irwin Jason Kerson (or IJK, or "the Colonel", or "coach", depending on how you knew him) had about him a brilliance that could bedazzle even that most reluctant of audiences, the classroom full of English Literature students. For twenty-three years he taught Chaucer, Milton, Shakespeare, and Wordsworth to the masses in a way that was at once vivid, but also left enough to the imagination to preserve the joy of discovery for those willing to read. He would not spoon feed his students. The very notion galled him. What he did do was create an atmosphere of almost unbearable lightness in which he was able to operate with remarkable grace and agility.

This is not to say that his style was for everyone. He had a dislike for teaching vocabulary that was a source of frustration for many students. He would save the 150 or so vocab words that had been sanctified by the English Department for a given year, and often have his kids try to memorize them in less than a week. At other times, because Mr. Kerson was so well read, it was easy for him to make references to books or plays that his students hadn't experienced. No one was ever quite certain whether or not he kept a grade book (he did), and his handwriting was the envy of doctors and cryptologists everywhere. Yes, Mr. Kerson was truly like a dream in each of these respects, for though our dreams exist in an indescribably pleasurable region of our consciousness they produce their share of frustration, too.

Mr. Kerson was not a big man. We were struck by this fact as we gathered the pictures for these pages. He wasn't very tall, and he wasn't really very fat, either. Yet in our mind's eye he is never less than huge, an enormous presence commanding our attention. This was Mr. Kerson's magic. He was always able to project the image of a much larger man, always able to create impressions

IN MEMORIAM

In DREAMS the exile cometh home . . .

hat were at odds with who he really was if need be. oom 114, for example, was usually only one step short f being declared a disaster area, to hear some people tell . There were old editions of the New York Times verywhere, and a wide assortment of books and paperacks scattered about the countertops and tables. Mr. erson knew that his students took some sort of secret leasure from the chaos that they created together, so he t it stand. If he needed something he could usually put is hand to it. At home he was neat as a pin.

The problem with recalling a dream is that oftentimes nly bits and pieces are retrievable; there is scarcely ever nough to recapture the story in its entirety. So too with e story of a man's life. For every anecdote about Mr. erson's boyhood in North Adams (like the time he llided with city hall during his driver's test!), there are ousands of others that slip from memory. For every me we recount the services that he provided to ELHS, e wonderful Spartan Spectators he produced, the teams he coached, the movie days he ran, the recommendations he wrote, we fail to mention the students for whom he bought clothes when they couldn't. For every story we recite revolving around any of Mr. Kerson's public passions, the New York Knicks, or the New Black Eagle Jazz Band, or good food (no matter where, or when, there was always good food!), we omit another that showed his fondness for the Vineyard, or for horseracing. Sometimes we even fail to account for the love he had in abundance for his family and friends. Such would never be our intention. We would prefer to hold onto it all in our minds forever. Yet such is the nature of our dreams, and of our lives.

In Irwin Kerson we experienced something unique, something fantastic. We will probably never be able to say for certain what it was, or what it was supposed to mean, but whatever it was, it was special. At this, Mr. Kerson would likely shrug his shoulders, smile his impish grin, and say, "Oh well . . .". For now, though, he has gone with the day, taking a little of its light with him.

IRWIN J. KERSON

. . . in DREAMS the lost is found.

Laura, Sarah, and Johari are at the Senior Semi-Formal, but there are no Junior Editors in sight.

I prefer to fly solo.

Last spring, when Aegis '96 was still a DREAM, we gathered the flock in the cafeteria, some one hundred-odd head. It's always that way in the spring; the previous year's book comes out and there is so much enthusiasm that you think producing the new Aegis will be a snap. But the perils of academia, the call of the workplace, and the distractions of a social butterfly proved to be too much for some, and alas, many were never heard from again.

Not that there's anything wrong with that. You only need a handful of dedicated (exhausted) workers to put a book together. (And a bottle of Advil, a jug of Maalox, some tissues, pink paper, a few JV field hockey players . . . and a roll!) Thankfully, we did have those.

Deep insight to the obvious was provided by Jeff Bianchine who, along with the many voices of Mr. Evitts, captioned his way into the hearts of millions. If you were insulted or offended by anything on the Class Ballot, Josh Miner and Lindsay Sawyer are responsible for the art work (if you found it a refreshing change of pace, it was all my idea). Consistent effort and dependability were provided by Leah Glashow and Laura "Potatoes" DiMichele. Laura V. was our errand girl, in fact we sent her to Steinmetz three months ago and she hasn't been heard from since. Nyssa Schloyer and Chrissy Chimi never stopped typing. Jennie did stop . . . by for the keys. Erik Lewis was always on hand to provide a negative comment or complaint, just in case anyone was having a good day. He was however, the only one who stayed with me through the hail until all the stakes were in the ground for the Senior Class picture (he even heard me swear). Johari ran down when she could and even though she betrayed me in the end and finished driving school, she was kind enough to lend us her sister when she couldn't stay herself. Ariana's witty sense of humor initiated many of the Clubhouse Rules, Moats (to Goats) full of unusable, but hilarious, captions, and a file cabinet full of "Your Mom" jokes. (If only we could tape what goes on in the Curtis' room at night.) Speaking of "Your Mom", Sue Swords was an invaluable asset to the Yearbook Committee, especially the day she locked us out of Graphics! In between sporting events, Lindsay Sawyer, Andrea Hubbard, and Kirsten Metzger were available to run crazy errands all over town for us. Goddess Mme. Michelle Bergeron brought a touch of class, a sweet smile, and a pizza to Aegis '96.

Meghan Briggs did everything else. After sharing a year of hard work with Meghan, I can truly say that the way to an editor's heart is through her stomach, and the same goes for advisors. We had a mile-long sub when her braces came off, she baked us cupcakes on snow days, and she was the life of the parties that celebrated the March birthdays. I will never forget the weekend that she alienated McGinty and I am so glad I was able to be there for her when Carter was going through "that stage" on ER.

For the last two weeks, most of what I've done for this yearbook is complain, and one person has been there to listen, the one person who I've never heard complain, although he probably deserves to more than any of us - our advisor, Marty Lynch (best), who prefers to remain anonymous. As I begin to see the end of the book appear, I realize just how much it's meant to me to be able to put some of myself down between its pages. I hope you enjoy it just as much.

Sarah Lindwall, editor

One, two, three . . . nope, still missing one.

There she is! But where'd the soccerheads go?

P.S. Even though I'm ELHS's first Junior editor, they've banished me to the post-script. Although the days that all four editors were present could be counted on one hand, Sarah spent countless hours working with a dedicated few to put this book together. I claim credit for the cover design, though (but only if you like it - otherwise it was Sarah's fault). I can only DREAM of what the future will hold for the '97 Aegis staff, but I assure you that we will do our best to carry on the tradition of the school's most anticipated publication.

Jennie Hill, editor

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